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Minutes

— of the —

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

— of the —

ROARING RIVER

Primitive Baptist Association

— Held With —

REDDIES RIVER

Friday, Saturday and Sunday,

September 26, 27, 28,

1952

Next session appointed to be held with the Church at Woodcraft, 2 miles east of Parkway on U. S. highway 21, beginning on Friday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1953.

— Officers —

ELDER C. D. HALL - Moderator, Halls Mills, N. C.
ELDER L. T. WHITTINGTON - Clerk, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.

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Proceedings

OF THE ROARING RIVER ASSOCIATION

FRIDAY, September 26, 1952.

1. The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Song and prayer by Elder D. P. Broadway. The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder C. D. Hall. Text, Romans 1:11.

2. After one hour intermission, the messengers assembled in the church house, and were called to order by praise and prayer by Elder A. T. Whittington.

3. Read and received letters from Reddies River, Woodruff, Double Creek, Mulberry, Cross Roads, and Meadow Fork.

4. On motion, we elect Moderator and Clerk by move and second.

5. Organized the Association by electing Elder C. D. Hall, Moderator, and Elder A. T. Whittington, Clerk.

6. Called for petitionary letters. None came forward.

7. On motion we omit the reading of the Constitution and Articles of Faith, and Rules of Decorum.

8. On motion, the Moderator to make all temporary appointments for this Association.

9. Called for correspondents. The following came forward, and were received:

Abbott's Creek: Elders Gerney Nance, C. E. Pickard, and D. P. Broadway.

Fisher's River: Elders J. M. Edwards and Jessie Collins.

Mountain: Deacon J. H. Stamper.

St. Clair's Bottom: Elder C. R. Dancy.

Upper Mayo: Minutes.

Senter: Elder G. D. Roten, Deacon R. L. Speaks, Brother H. M. Bare.

Washington: Elder L. E. Whitt.

10. Called for visiting brethren and sisters. The following came forward and were received:

Abbott's Creek: Elder Walter C. McMellan, Mrs. D. P. Broadway, Deacon C. B. Owens and wife, Mead Compton and wife, Brother J. A. Nance.

Fisher's River: Elder G. L. Flippin, Mrs. J. M. Edwards, Brother R. L. Nelson and O. W. Sisk.

Mountain: Elder Coy Roberts, Elder M. K. Cook, Sister Stamper.

Senter: Mrs. G. D. Roten, Deacon George Severt.
Severt.

Upper Mayo Elders W. J. Brown, J. W. Tuttle.

Washington: None.

St. Clair's Bottom: Elder B. H. Blevins. Brother W. B. Johnson and wife, Sister C. R. Dancy.

Indian Creek: Brother Luther Easter and wife, Sister May Roberts.

11. On motion we extend the right hand of fellowship to correspondents and visitors, and seat them.

12. Called for correspondents who were to go to sister Associations to report. They reported and those that failed to go were excused.

13. Called for volunteers to go to sister Associations. The following responded:

Abbott's Creek: Elders A. T. Whittington and C. D. Hall.

Fisher's River: Deacons W. C. Hall, J. F. Coffey, Bro. Troy Miller.

Mountain: Deacon C. E. Estep, Brother John Choate.

Senter: Deacon Fosco Pruitt, Elder A. T. Whittington. To be held with the Church at Beaver Creek, two miles east of W. Jefferson, N. C.

St. Clair's Bottom: Deacons W. C. Hall, J. F. Coffey, Brother Carl Francis. To be held with the Church at Hopkins View, in Virginia.

Upper Mayo: Deacons W. C. Hall, J. F. Coffey. To be held with the Church at Walnut Cove, at Walnut Cove, N. C.

Washington: Elder C. D. Hall, W. C. Hall, J. F. Coffey, Carl Francis. To be held with the Church at Duty View near Haysi, Virginia.

14. The Moderator appointed to the stand today: Elders J. M. Edwards, L. G. Flippin, W. J. Brown.

15. Appointed a Committee on Preaching composed of one member from each church. Sister Annie Pierce, Brother Estep, Brother Carl Francis, Deacons Fosco Pruitt, W. C. Hall.

16. Appointed a Committee on Finance as follows: Brother Troy Miller, Sister Dora Whittington, Brother D. L. Church.

17. Appointed a Committee on Arrangements as follows: Sister Nettie Brown, Brother D. C. Long, Brother J. T. Choate, Sister C. R. Whittington, Deacon J. F. Coffey.

18. Called on Committee on Preaching who reported for Saturday morning, Elders D. P. Broadway, G. D. Roten, and L. E. Whitt.

19. On motion, we read the Minute.

20. On motion, we adjourn until 9:30 tomorrow. Prayer by Elder Coy Roberts correspondent from the Mountain Association.

SATURDAY MORNING, September 27, 1952.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday. Called to order by praise and prayer by Elder Ed Davis, correspondent from Senter Association.

1. On motion called on Committee on Arrangements to report. Report received, and Committee discharged.

2. Called the roll and marked those absent.

3. Called on the Clerk to report. Reported work up to date.

4. Called on Finance Committee to report. They reported as follows:

Received from the churches		$96.50
Left over from last year		20.00
Total		$116.50
Allowed Moderator	$10.00	
Allower Clerk	10.00	
Allowed visiting Elders	46.00	
Left in hands of Treasurer	50.00	
Total	$116.50	$116.50

5. Called for correspondents who were not here yesterday. The

following came forward and were received:

Abbott's Creek

Fisher's River: Elder J. G. Fulk.

Mountain: Elder C. B. Kilby, Reese Douglas.

Senter: Deacon Felix Bare, Elder Ed. Davis.

Washington: Elder Raleigh Compton.

6. Called for visiting brethren and sisters who were not here yesterday:

Abbott's Creek:

Fisher's River: Elder George Berrier and wife, Sister J. G. Fulk, Taylor Easter.

Mountain: Elder Walter Evans, Earl Choate, C. C. Reaves, Joseph Absher, Sister Kilby, Sister Douglas, Sister Alice Douglas Willie Jones

Senter: Deacon F. G. Weaver and wife, Sister Margaret Cochram, Brother Tom Severt, Deacon Callie Severt, Elder Ed Severt and wife, Sister Ed Davis, Eddie Wiles, Brother E. W. Severt, Sister Callie Severt, Sister Oscar Burgess, and others.

St. Clair's Bottom: Brother H. W. Compton and wife, Sister Fay B. Collie, Brother Roy Newberry and wife.

Owl Creek Harmony: J. A. Watson.

On motion, we extend the right hand of fellowship to correspondents and visitors, and seat them.

8. Called on Committee on Preaching who reported for Saturday evening: 1: Elder J. W. Tuttle; 2: Elder Ed Severt; 3. Elder Walter Evans; Saturday night at Reddies River: Brother Wiley Hester, Elder Walter Evans, L. G. Cashion; Saturday night at Cross Roads: W. C. McMellon, George Berrier; Sunday at the stand, C. B. Kilby, Raleigh Compton, C. R. Dancy; Sunday evening, J. G. Fulk, Ed. Davis.

9. On motion, we recieve the report of the Preaching Committee, and dismiss them.

10. On motion, we have the obituaries of Sister Mary Staley, Sister Rebekah Taylor, and Brother Grover Taylor printed in these Minutes.

11. On motion, we stand by the ancient landmark set up by Christ and the apostles, and the old Articles of Faith of the Roaring River Association as carried in our Minutes.

12. On motion, we appoint Elder A. T. Whittington, Treasurer, and supervise the printing of these Minutes, and have 500 copies printed and distributed as usual.

13. On motion we omit having the Constitution, and Rules of Decorum printed in these Minutes.

14. On motion, the next Association be held with the Church at Woodruff.

15. On motion, we have the Articles of Faith printed in the Minutes.

16. On motion, we read the Minutes.

17. Resolved that we return thanks first to God for His mercies and thank our brethren and sisters and friends for so lovingly and tenderly caring for us in this session.

18. On motion, we adjourn. Prayer by Elder C. E. Pickard.

ELDER C. D. HALL, Moderator,

ELDER A. T. WHITTINGTON, Clerk.

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday:

Elder J. M. Edwards, failed to get text.
Elder G. L. Flippin, Walk in the Light.
Elder W. J. Brown, S. S. 2:10.

Friday Night at Mulberry:

Elder B. H. Blevins, John 3:1.
Elder C. E. Pickard, 1 Tim. 4:1-6.

Friday Night at Reddies River:

Elder Coy Roberts, Matt. 1:1.
Elder Gerney Nance, Eph. 5.

Saturday Morning:

Elder D. P. Broadway, failed to get text.
Elder G. D. Roten, 1 Pet. 2:5.
Elder L. E. Whitt, Rom. 10:17.
Elder J. W. Tuttle, Col. 2.
Elder Ed. Severt, Jesus said, I am the Way.
Elder Walter Evans, John 10:29.

Saturday Night at Reddies River:

Brother Wiley Hester, Luke 17:11.
Elder Walter Evans, Heb. 9:13, 14.

Saturday Night at Cross Roads:

Elder McMellon, Luke 12:27.

Sunday Morning:

Elder C. B. Kilby, no special text.
Elder Raleigh Compton, Titus 1:2.
Elder C. R. Dancy, Isa. 55:1.

Sunday Evening:

Elder J. G. Fulk, Heb. 8:8-12.
Elder Ed. Davis, Exod. 2:2.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF CHURCH CLERKS

Cross Roads: Nettie Brown, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Reddies River: Mrs. W. E. Hester, Reddies River, N. C.
Mulberry: Nora Hall, Halls Mills, N. C.
Meadow Fork: Fosco Pruitt, Laurel Springs, N. C.
Woodruff: J. T. Choate, Glade Valley, N. C.
Double Creek: Margie Pruitt, Abshers, N. C.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF MINISTERS

Elder C. D. Hall, Halls Mills, N. C.
Elder A. T. Whittington, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

CHURCHES, NUMBER OF MINUTES, AND PASTORS

Meadow Fork—50. Elders C. D. Hall and A. T. Whittington.
Double Creek—15. Elders C. D. Hall and A. T. Whittington.
Mulberry—50. Elders C. D. Hall and A. T. Whittington.
Woodruff—40. Elder C. D. Hall, Walter Evans.
Reddies River—30. Elder C. D. Hall, and A. T. Whittington.
Cross Roads—40. Elders C. D. Hall and A. T. Whittington.

OBITUARIES

Mary Roberts Staley, wife of the late Frank Staley, was born June 22, 1874, departed this life September 10, 1952. She joined Reddies River Primitive Baptist Church about forty years ago. She was a faithful mother in Israel as long as her health would permit. She died as she lived, in the faith of the Son of God. She leaves to mourn 13 children, 33 grandchildren, one brother and 2 sisters, and many friends and relatives.

Written by her pastor.

—C. D. HALL

Brother Grover Taylor was born November 26, 1884, departed this life October 29, 1952. He was married to Alice Dancy January 11, 1905. To this union were born 10 children. He had 15 grandchildren. Brother Taylor was a good husband and father. He received a sweet hope in Christ many years ago, and joined the church at Meadow Fork in August, 1950, and remained a faithful member until death. We feel our loss is his eternal gain. Sleep on, Brother till the resurrection morning.

Written by his unworthy pastor,

—A. T. WHITTINGTON

Sister Rebekah Taylor was born January 19, 1873, departed this life October 21, 1951. She was married to Will Taylor in the year of 1892. She joined the Primitive Baptist Church at Meadow Fork in the year of 1905, where she lived a faithful member as long as health would permit her to do so. So sleep on, Sister, until the resurrection morn.

Written by her unworthy pastor,

—A, T. WHITTINGTON

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Abbott's Creek—T. R. Freeman, Steeds, N. C. 15
Fisher's River—O. W. Sisk, King. N. C. 30
Senter—W. A. Miller, Clifton, N. C. 15
Mountain—Elder C. B. Kilby, Sparta, N. C. 30
St. Clair's Bottom—Elder C. N. Tilson, Chilhowie, Va. 15
Washington—Harmon Kiser, Cleveland, Va. 30
Upper Mayo—J. W. Moorefield, Star Rt. Walnut Cove, N. C. 30
Indian Creek—J. R. Lilly, Box 136, Hinton W. Va. 30

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one only true and living God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2. We believe the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments (as recorded in the authorized King James Version) are the words of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of election by grace.

4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin and man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature by his own free will or ability.

5. We believe sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

6. We believe that sinners are called, converted, regenerated and sanctified by the Spirit; and that all who are thus sanctified and regenerated by the Holy Spirit, or born again by the Spirit of God, shall never finally fall away.

7. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ, and that true believers are the subjects of these ordinances; and we believe the only true mode of baptism is immersion.

8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment; and that the joys of the righeous and the torment of the wicked will be eternal.

9. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances except as is regularly called and comes under the imposition of hands by the presbytery.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	NAMES OF CHUURCH MESSENGERS	Communion	Sat. of Meeting	Rec'd by Baptism	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Dis. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Membership	Contribution
Meadow Fork ..	Deacon Fosco Pruitt, Brotbers Troy Miller, D. C. Long	Aug.	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	24	$10.00
Cross Roads	Bros. D. L. Church, Carl Francis, Sister Nettie Brown	July	4	1	..	..	..	..	..	7	16.00
Double Creek ..	Sister Margie Truitt	July	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	10.00
Mulberry	Deacons W. C. Hall, J. F. Coffey, Eld. C. H. Hall	Aug.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	16	22.00
Reddies River .	Sisters C. R. Whittington, Dora Whittington, Mr.s Howard Pierce	July	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	23.50
Woodruff	Deacon C. E. Estep, Brother J. T. Choate	July	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	15.00

Minutes

— of the —

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH

ANNUAL SESSION

— of the —

ROARING RIVER

Primitive Baptist

Association

Held with

WOODRUFF CHURCH

Friday, Saturday and Sunday,

September 25, 26, 27,

1953

Next session appointed to be held with the Church at Double Creek, Absher, N. C., beginning at 10:00 o'clock Friday morning before the fourth Sunday in September 1954

— Officers —

ELDER C. D. HALL - Moderator, McGrady, N. C.

ELDER A. T. WHITTINGTON - Clerk, N. Wilkesboro, N.C.

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Proceedings

OF THE ROARING RIVER ASSOCIATION

FRIDAY, September 25, 1953.

1. The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Song and prayer by Elder G. D. Roten. The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder C. D. Hall. Text, Titus 2:11.

2. After one hour intermission, the messengers assembled in the church house, and were called to order by praise and prayer by Elder A. T. Whittington.

3. Read and received letters from Reddies River, Woodruff, Double Creek, Mulberry, Cross Roads, and Meadow Fork.

4. On motion, we elect Moderator and Clerk by move and second.

5. Organized the Association by electing Elder C. D. Hall, Moderator and Elder A. T. Whittington, Clerk.

6. Called for petitionary letters. None came forward.

7. On motion, we omit the reading of the Constitution, Rules of Decorum, and Articles of Faith.

8. Called for correspondents who were to go to sister associations to report. They reported and those that failed to go were excused.

9. On motion, the moderator to make all temporary appointments for this Association.

10. On motion, we suspend correspondence with Upper Mayo Association and all followers for the New River disorder which are among them, and affiliation with the Wilson disorder until the disorders are cleared.

11. On motion we will recognize any churches that have pulled out of the Upper Mayo Association and are in correspondence with their nearest association with which we are in correspondence.

12. On motion we withhold Abbotts Creek Association's seat at this Association but will recognize any church in the Associaton that is not in fellowship with Upper Mayo Association.

13. Called for correspondents. The following came forward and were received:

Fishers River: Elders W. M. Inman and L. N. Stewart.

Mountain: Elders Coy Roberts, J. C. Sparks, and John R. Crouse and J. H. Stamper.

St. Clair's Bottom: None.

Senter: Deacon Bob Speaks, Elder G. D. Roten.

Washington: Elders L. E. Whitt and Raleigh Compton.

14. Called for visiting brethren and sisters. The following came forward and were received.

Fishers River: O. W. Sisk.

Mountain: Elder Ed Douglas, C. B. Kilby and wife, Reese Douglas, Elder Evans, A. C. Roberts, John A. Crase and wife, M. D. Rector and wife, J. R. Croese, Arol Choate, C. A. Lawson, Eleck Richardson, Willie Jones and wife, Clarence Murry and wife and others.

Washington: J. T. Mabe, Mrs. R. J. Hankins.

St. Clair's Bottom: Elder H. M. Blevins.

Indian Creek: Brother W. A. Davidson and wife, Brother W. L. Barker and wife, and Sister Robertson.

15. On motion we extend the right hand of fellowship to correspondents, visitors and seat them.

16. Called for volunteers to go to sister associations. The following responded:

Fisher's River: Brother John Choate and W. C. Hall. To be held with the Pilot Mountain Church in Pilot Mountain, N. C., on Friday, Saturday and second Sunday in July, 1954.

Mountain: Brother John Choat and Troy Miller.

Senter: Brother Carl Francis and Deacon Fosco Pruitt. To be held with the church at Pond Mountain a few miles beyond Tuckerdale, N. C.

St. Clair's Bottom: Deacon W. C. Hall and Brother Carl Francis. To be held with the Church at St. Clair's Bottom in Va., on Friday, Saturday and third Sunday in September, 1954.

Washington: Elder C. D. Hall and Deacon J. F. Coffey. To be held with the Sulphur Springs Church in Dickerson Co., near Tiny, Va., Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1954.

17. On motion we send Elder C. D. Hall, Deacon W. C. Hall to the Abbott's Creek Association, authority to act as they think best about seating.

18. The Moderator appointed to the stand today: Elders L. N. Stewart and J. C. Sparks.

19. Appointed a Committee on Preaching composed of one member from each church: Sister Margie Truitt, Deacons C. E. Estep, Fosco Pruitt, W. C. Hall and Brothers D. F. Whittington and Carl Francis.

20. Appointed a Committee on Finance as follows: Brother Troy Miller, Sister Mary Jane Vannoy and Mable Johnson.

21. Appointed a Committee on Arrangements as follows: Sister Howard Pierce, Brother D. C. Long, Deacon J. F. Coffey and John Choate with Moderator and Clerk.

22. Called on Committee on Preaching who reported for Saturday morning.

23. On motion we read the minutes.

24. On motion, we adjourn until 9:30 tomorrow. Prayer by Elder Walter Evans.

SATURDAY MORNING, September 26, 1953.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday. Called to order by praise and prayer by Elder S. G. Caudill.

1. On motion, called on Committee on Arrangements to report. Report received, and Committee discharged.

2. Called the roll and marked those absent.

3. Called on clerk to report. Reported work up to date.

4. Called on Finance Committee to report. They reported as follows:

Received from the churches	$106.75
Left over from last year	24.00
Total	$130.75

Allowed Moderator	$10.00
Allowed Clerk	10.00
Allowed visiting elders	60.75
Left in hands of treasurer	50.00
Total	$130.75

5. Called for correspondents who were not here yesterday. The following came forward and were received:

Abbott's Creek: None
Fisher's River: None
Mountain: Elder S. G. Caudill, Wayne Reese, G. C. Roberts.
Senter: Brother Tom Severt.
St. Clair's Bottom: Elder C. R. Dancy, Brother Delmar Heath.
Washington: Elder M. C. Miller, Elder Otis Fields.

6. Called for visiting brethren and sisters who were not here yesterday:

Abbott's Creek: None.
Fisher's River: Brother J. A. Marion and wife.
Mountain: W. E. Thomas, Sister Caudill, M. A. Jenkins and wife, Sister Pearl Shaver, W. M. Cleary, Fred Hawks, Sister Mertil Jonies, Sister Lucy Choate.

Senter Association: H. M. Bare, Elder Ed Davis, Callie Severt and wife, Margaret Cockerham, Filex Bare, Mrs. Ed Barker, Elder L. G. Bagley and wife.

St. Clair's Bottom: Elder S. F. Heath and wife, Mrs. C. R. Dancy, Mrs. Ben Martin, Sister Lonso Clery, Jim Blevins, Jr., Brother Verna Heath.

Indian Creek: Luther Easter and wife, L. N. Walker and wife, M. G. Mills.

7. On motion, we extend the right hand of fellowship to correspondents and visitors, and seat them.

8. Called on Committee on Preaching who reported for Saturday evening. 1: Elder C. E. Pickard. 2: Elder Otis Fields. 3: Elder C. R. Dancy.

9. On motion, we receive the report of the Preaching and Finance Committees and dismiss them.

10. On motion, we have the obituaries of Brother Hardin Joines and Brother Harrold printed in these minutes.

11. On motion, we stand by the ancient landmark set up by Christ and the Apostle and the old Articles of Faith of the Roaring River Association as carried in our minutes.

12. On motion, we appoint A. T. Whittington as treasurer, and to supervise the printing of these minutes, having 500 copies printed and distributed as usual.

13. On motion we have the Constitution and Rules of Decorum printed in these minutes.

14. On motion, the next association be held with the Church at Double Creek.

15. On motion, we have the Articles of Faith printed in the minutes.

16. On motion, we read the minutes.

17. Resolved that we return thanks first to God for His mercies and

thank our brethren and sisters and friends for so lovingly and tenderly caring for us in this session.

19. On motion we adjourned with prayer by Elder C. D. Hall.

ELDER C. D. HALL, Moderator
ELDER A. T. WHITTINGTON, Clerk

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday:

Elder N. L. Stewart, Eph. 1:1.
Elder J. C. Sparks, Eph. 3:6

Friday night at Woodruff Church:

Elder J. T. Mabe, failed to get text.
Elder Walter Evans, failed to get text.

Saturday morning:

Elder Ed Douglas, failed to get text.
Elder Leo Bagley, failed to get text.
Elder S. T. Heath, failed to get text.

Saturday evening:

Elder C. E. Pickard, no special text.
Elder Otis Fields, no special text.
Elder C. R. Dancy, Psalm 23.

Saturday night at Woodruff Church:

Elder L. E. Whitt, Romans 5:5.
Brother Willard, failed to get text.

Saturday night at Mulberry Church:

Elder S. G. Caudill, St. John 4:19.

Sunday:

Elder Coy Roberts, Mal. 3:1.
Elder H. M. Blevins, Psalm 48:12.
Elder M. C. Miller, failed to get text.
Elder C. B. Kilby, no special text.
Elder Ed Davis, Deut 10:10.

— OBITUARIES —

Brother Hardin M. Harrold, was born in Wilkes County, N. C., on December 23, 1868 and departed this life March 12, 1953, being 84 years, 2 months and 20 days old.

He was married to Sara McCary in 1892. To this union was born four children, fifteen grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren. The mother passed away in 1922.

In 1929 he was married to Sara Pierce who survives him. He professed faith in Christ and united with the Primitive Baptist Church at Meadow Fork. He was baptized in June 1937.

He lived a devoted Christian life until the Great Redeemer saw fit to call him out of this world of sorrow and tears. He leaves a host of friends to mourn the loss of his presence.

Written by his pastor, —A. T. Whittington

Brother Hardin Joines, was born December 12, 1867 and departed this life June 18, 1953. Brother Joines joined the Primitive Baptist Church at Double Creek and was baptized in the fall of 1926. A few years later he was ordained to the office of deacon. He was a firm believer in the doctrine of salvation by the grace of God.

We feel our loss is his eternal gain. Sleep on brother 'till the resurrection morn. —A. T. Whittington

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CONSTITUTION OF ROARING RIVER ASSOCIATION

1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union, and duly sent to represent them in the Association, who shall be members they judge best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to a seat.

2. In the letters from the different churches requested to be expressed their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excommunicated, or dead since our last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any church in this union.

4. The Association when convened shall be governed and ruled by a regular and proper decorum.

5. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

6. Churches may be admitted into this union who shall petition by letter and delegates, and upon examination, if found orthodox and orderly, shall be received by the Association and manifested by the Moderator giving the delgates the right hand of fellowship.

7. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation.

8. Every query presented by any member in the Association shall be once read, and before debated the Moderator shall put it to vote, and if there be majority for it being debated, it shall be taken into consideration, deliberated upon, if not, it shall be withdrawn.

9. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

10. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with Minutes of the Association; the best method of effecting that purpose shall be at the discretion of future Associations.

11. We think it necessary that we should have an Association Fund, for defraying the expenses of the same, for raising and supporting of which we think it the duty of each church in the union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they may think proper, and send by their delegates to the Association, and the money thus contributed by the churches and received by the Association shall be deposited in the hands of a treasurer by the Association, who shall be accountable to the Association for all monies by him received and paid out according to the direction of the Association.

12. There shall be an Association book kept wherein the proceedings of every Association shall be regularly recorded by a secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive compensation yearly for his trouble.

13. The Minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if needs be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

3. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make his speech.

4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone, except the Moderator, until he is done speaking.

5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in no wise reflect on the person who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his slips, failings or imperfections, but shall state the matter as nearly as he can so as to convey his light or ideas.

6. No person shall abruptly break off, or absent himself from the Association without liberty from the Association.

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5. We believe sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.
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7. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ, and that true believers are the subjects of these ordinances; and we believe the only true mode of baptism is immersion.
8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment; and that the joys of the righeous and the torment of the wicked will be eternal.
9. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances except as is regularly called and comes under the imposition of hands by the presbytery.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF MINISTERS

Elder C. D. Hall, Halls Mills, N. C.

Elder A. T. Whittington, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

CHURCHES, NUMBER OF MINUTES, AND PASTORS

Meadow Fork—50. Elders C. D. Hall and A. T. Whittington.
Double Creek—15. Elders C. D. Hall and A. T. Whittington.
Mulberry—50. Elders C. D. Hall and A. T. Whittington.
Woodruff—40. Elder C. D. Hall, Walter Evans.
Reddies River—30. Elder C. D. Hall, and A. T. Whittington.
Cross Roads—40. Elders C. D. Hall and A. T. Whittington.

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Abbott's Creek—T. R. Freeman, Steeds, N. C. 15
Fisher's River—O. W. Sisk, King. N. C. 30
Senter—W. A. Miller, Clifton, N. C. 15
Mountain—Elder C. B. Kilby, Sparta, N. C. 30
St. Clair's Bottom—Elder C. N. Tilson, Chilhowie, Va. 15
Washington—Harmon Kiser, Cleveland, Va. 30
Upper Mayo—J. W. Moorefield, Star Rt. Walnut Cove, N. C. 30
Indian Creek—J. R. Lilly, Box 136, Hinton W. Va. 30

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF CHURCH CLERKS

Cross Roads: Nettie Brown, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Reddies River: Mrs. W. E. Hester, Reddies River, N. C.
Mulberry: Nora Hall, Halls Mills, N. C.
Meadow Fork: Fosco Pruitt, Laurel Springs, N. C.
Woodruff: J. T. Choate, Glade Valley, N. C.
Double Creek: Margie Pruitt, Abshers, N. C.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	NAMES OF CHURCH MESSENGERS	Communion and Sat. of Meeting	Rec'd by baptism	Rec'd by letter	Restored	Dism'd by letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Membership	Contribution
Meadow Fork	Deacon Fosco Pruitt, Bros. Troy Miller and D. C. Long, and Mable Johnson	Aug.	2	..	..	..	..	1	23	$13.00
Cross Roads	Bro. Carl Francis, Sister Nellie Brown	July	4	..	..	1	..	1	..	7	24.00
Mulberry	Deacons J. T. Coffey, W. C. Hall, Elder C. D. Hall, Sister Mary Jane Vannoy	Aug.	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	15	25.25
Double Creek	Sister Margie Truitt	July	3	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	9.00
Reddies River	D. T. Whittington, Mrs. Howard Pierce, Sister Dora Whittington	June	4	..	..	3	..	..	..	16	20.50
Woodruff	Deacon C. E. Estep and Bro. John Choate	July	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	15	15.00
	Totals		..	1	..	4	..	2	2	79	$106.75

Minutes

— of the —

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH

ANNUAL SESSION

— of the —

Roaring River

Primitive Baptist Association

— held with —

DOUBLE CREEK CHURCH

FRIDAY, SATURDAY, AND SUNDAY,

September 24, 25, 26,

1954

Next session appointed to be held with the Church at Mulberry, ten miles north of North Wilkesboro, North Carolina, on Highway No. 18, Friday morning before the fourth Sunday in September, at 10:00 o'clock.

— Officers —

ELDER C. D. HALL - Moderator ..... McGrady, N. C.

ELDER A. T. WHITTINGTON-Clerk, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.

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Proceedings

OF THE ROARING RIVER ASSOCIATION

FRIDAY, September 24, 1954.

1. The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Song and prayer by Elder G. D. Roten. The Introductory Sermon was delivered by C. D. Hall, text, Eph. 2:10.

2. After one hour intermission, the messengers assembled in the church house and were called to order by praise and prayer by Elder J. T. Mabe from Washington Association.

3. Read and received letters from Reddies River, Woodruff, Double Creek, Mulberry, Cross Roads, and Meadow Fork.

4. On motion, we elect Moderator and Clerk by move and second.

5. Organized the Association by electing Elder C. D. Hall Moderator and A. T. Whittington, Clerk.

6. Called for petitionary letters. None came forward.

7. On motion, we omit reading of the Constitution, Rules of Decorum, and Articles of Faith.

8. Called for correspondents who were to go to sister associations to report. They reported and those that failed to go were excused.

9. On motion, the Moderator make all temporary appointments for this Association.

10. Called for correspondents. The following came forward and were received:

Fisher's River: None.

Mountain: Elder J. C. Sparks, J. R. Crouse.

St. Clair's Bottom: H. W. Compton.

Senter: Brother Floyd Miller, R. L. Speaks, G. E. Kilby, G. A. Miller.

Washington: Elder J. T. Mabe, Elder L. E. Whitt.

Abbotts Creek: Suspended for withholding to the Mayo Association and their disorder.

11. Called for visiting brethren and sisters. The following came forward and were received:

Fisher's River: O. W. Sisk, W. M. Inman, S. J. Fise, R. L. Nelson, W. E. Thomas.

Senter: G. D. Roten.

Mountain: Walter Evans, C. B. Kilby and wife, Sister Magie Reese, Lela Crouse, Coy Walker, Elder L. V. Bagley.

Washington: Hall Hankin and mother, B. M. Sutherland.

St. Clair's Bottom: Sister H. W. Compton.

Indian Creek: Withheld their seat for unsound doctrine among them.

12. On motion we recognize the eight churches who came out of the New River Association as being in order: Pine View, Pine Grove, Grove Creek, Reed Island, Floyd, Conners Grove, Stonewall, New Hope.

13. Moved and seconded that we send minutes to Mates Creek Association and Union Association.

14. On motion we extend the right hand of fellowship to correspondents, visitors and seat them.

15. Called for volunteers to go to sister associations. The following responded:

Fisher's River: W. C. Hall, John Choate; to be held with the Mitchell's River Church on Friday, Saturday and second Sunday in July, 1955.

Mountain: Bro. Estep, Carl Francis, Fosco Pruitt; to be held with Antioch Church, located seven miles west of Sparta, just off highway No. 221 on Friday before the first Sunday in September, 1955.

Senter: Fosco Pruitt, Gaither Vannoy, A. T. Whittington; to be held with River View Church near Idlewild, N. C.

St. Clair's Bottom: W. C. Hall, J. F. Coffey; to be held with Tumbling Creek Church near Saltville, Va., Friday and Saturday before the third Sunday in September, 1955.

Washington: Carl Francis, J. F. Coffey, Elder C. D. Hall; to be held with Lick Creek Church, located at the mouth of Dog Branch, Dickenson County, Va., Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1955.

16. Appointed a Committee on Preaching composed of one member from each church: Fosco Pruitt, Sister Truitt, Gaither Vannoy, W. C. Hall, Brother Estep and Brother Carl Francis.

17. Finance Committee: D. F. Whittington, Troy Miller and John Choate.

18. Appointed Committee on Arrangements: D. C. Long, Mary Vannoy, J. F. Coffey, D. L. Church, Ira Shomake, Brother Sparks with Moderator and Clerk.

19. Called on Committee on Preaching who reported for Saturday morning.

20. On motion, we read the Minutes.

21. On motion, we adjourn until 9:30 tomorrow. Prayer by Brother Anderson.

SATURDAY MORNING, September 25, 1954.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday. Called to order by praise and prayer by A. T. Whittington.

1. On motion, called on Committee on Arrangements to report. Report received and Committee discharged.

2. Called the roll and marked those absent.

3. Called on Clerk to report. Reported work up to date.

4. Called on Finance Committee to report. They reported as follows:

Received from the churches	$117.25
Left over from last year	17.50
Total	$134.75

Allowed Moderator	$ 10.00
Allowed Clerk	10.00
Allowed visiting elders	29.33
Left in hands of treasurer	50.00
Purchasing lumber for stands and seats	35.42
Total	134.75

5. Called for correspondents who were not here yesterday. The following came forward and were received:

Fisher's River: Elders Matt Edwards and Coy Hawks.

Mountain: M. A. Jenkins and C. D. Murry.

Senter: None.

St. Clair's Bottom: None.

Washington: Elders M. C. Miller, Lester Barker, Raleigh Compton and Otis Fields.

6. Called for visiting brethren and sisters who were not here yesterday:

Fisher's River: None.

Mountain: Troy Cleary, A. C. Choate, Reese Douglas, Elder Ed Douglas and Sister M. A. Jenkins.

Senter: Ed Barker ond wife.

St. Clair's Bottom: None.

Washington: Brother M. F. Cox and wife, B. H. Ray, Stewart Newberry, C. T. Compton, Sister Lester Barker, T. W. Waddell, and Ray Newberry.

7. On motion, we extend the right hand of fellowship to correspondents and visitors, and seat them.

8. On motion, we receive the reports of the Preaching and Finance Committees and dismiss them.

9. On motion, we have the obituary of Brother Wiley Miller printed in these Minutes.

10. On motion, we stand by the ancient landmarks set up by Christ and the apostle and the old Articles of Faith of the Roaring River Association, as carried in our Minutes.

11. On motion, we appoint A. T. Whittington as treasurer and to supervise the printing of these Minutes having 500 copies printed and distributed as usual.

12. On motion, we have the Constitution and Rules of Decorum printed in these Minutes.

13. On motion, the next Association be held with the Church at Mulberry.

14. On motion, we have the Articles of Faith printed in the Minutes.

15. On motion, we read the Minutes.

16. Resolved, that we return thanks first to God for His mercies and thank our brethren and sisters and friends for so lovingly and tenderly caring for us in this session.

17. On motion, we adjourned with prayer by Elder Otis Fields.

ELDER C. D. HALL, Moderator
ELDER A. T. WHITTINGTON, Clerk

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday:

Elder J. C. Sparks, text, "Ye must be born again."
Elder Will Inman, No special text.
Elder Walter Evans, Col. 1:1-3.

Friday Night at Mulberry:

Elder J. T. Mabe, No special text.
Elder Simmons, No special text.

Saturday Morning:

Elder L. E. Whitt, failed to get text.
Elder Ed Douglas, failed to get text.
Elder M. C. Miller, "Speak that which becomes sound doctrine."

Saturday Evening:

Elder Matt Edwards, No special text.
Elder Raleigh Compton, No special text.
Elder Walter Evans, No special text.

Saturday Night at Cross Roads:

Elder M. C. Miller, No special text.
Elder Raleigh Compton, No special text.

Sunday Morning:

Elder W. C. Hawks, failed to get text.
Elder C. B. Kilby, failed to get text.
Elder Otis Fields, No special text.

Sunday Evening:

Elder Lester Barker, Peter 1:18.
Elder G. D. Roten, St. John 3:16.

—OBITUARY—

Wiley Peter Miller was born April 4, 1868 and died July 8, 1954, making him 86 years, 3 months and 4 days of age. He was the son of the late Jacob and Elizabeth Lawmon Miller. He joined the Meadow Fork Primitive Baptist Church in Ash County in 1905 and after moving to Wilkes County he moved his membership to Cross Roads Primitive Baptist Church where he remained a faithful member as long as health permitted.

He was united in marriage on October 13, 1889 to Rosia Osborne; to this union were born seven children, one preceded him in death, and six survive: Miss Florence Miller of the home, Letcher Miller of Statesville, Mrs. Annie Faw of Miller's Creek, Charlie Miller, Route 1, North Wilkesboro, and Arthur Miller, Route 1, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

He leaves a host of friends and relatives to mourn his passing.

A. T. Whittington

CONSTITUTION OF ROARING RIVER ASSOCIATION

1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union, and duly sent to represent them in the Association, who shall be members they judge best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to a seat.

2. In the letters from the different churches requested to be expressed their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excommunicated, or dead since our last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any church in this union.

4. The Association when convened shall be governed and ruled by a regular and proper decorum.

5. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

6. Churches may be admitted into this union who shall petition by letter and delegates, and upon examination, if found orthodox and orderly, shall be received by the Association and manifested by the Moderator giving the delgates the right hand of fellowship.

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Elder A. T. Whittington, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Licentiate Brother Anderson.

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Senter—W. A. Miller, Clifton, N. C.	15
Mountain—Elder C. B. Kilby, Sparta, N. C.	30
St. Clair's Bottom—Elder C. N. Tilson, Chilhowie, Va.	15
Washington—Harmon Kiser, Cleveland, Va.	30
Upper Mayo—J. W. Moorefield, Star Rt. Walnut Cove, N. C.	30
Indian Creek—J. R. Lilly, Box 136, Hinton W. Va.	30
Union—Elder J. M. Holbrook, Shelby Gap, Ky.	10
Mates Creek—Stearl Hatfield, McCarr, Ky.	20

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF CHURCH CLERKS

Cross Roads: Nettie Brown, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Reddies River: Mrs. W. E. Hester, Reddies River, N. C.
Mulberry: Nora Hall, Halls Mills, N. C.
Meadow Fork: Fosco Pruitt, Laurel Springs, N. C.
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Cross Roads	D. L. Church, Carl Francis, Nettie Brown	July	4	1	..	..	..	..	1	7	22.00
Mulberry	C. D. Hall, J. F. Coffey and W. C. Hall	Aug.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	15	28.25
Double Creek	Mrs. Margie Truitt, Mrs. Dan Shumake	July	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	7.00
Reddies River	Gaither Vannoy, D. F. Whittington, and Mary Vannoy	June	4	1	..	..	..	..	..	17	27.00
Woodruff	John Choate, Clery Estep, Elmer Sparks	July	2	3	1	..	..	2	..	17	17.00
	Totals			6	1	..	..	2	1	83	$117.25

Minutes

OF THE

One Hundred Tenth Annual Session

OF THE

Roaring River

Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Meadow Fork Church

FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 21, 22, 23,

1956

Next session appointed to be held with the church at Cross Roads 6 miles north on N. C. No. 18 from N. Wilksboro, N. C. beginning at 10 a. m. Friday morning, before the fourth Sunday in September, 1957.

OFFICERS

ELDER C. D. HALL - Moderator ..... McGrady, N. C.

ELDER A. T. WHITTINGTON - Clerk .... Wilbar, N. C.

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Proceedings

OF THE ROARING RIVER ASSOCIATION

Friday, September 21, 1956.

1. The association met pursuant to adjournment. Song and prayer by Elder C. B. Kilby. The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder C. D. Hall, no special text.

2. The Association was called to order by praise by Elder G. D. Roten.

3. Read and received letters from Reddies River, Woodruff, Double Creek, Mulberry, Cross Roads, Meadow Fork.

4. On motion, we elect a Moderator and Clerk by private ballot.

5. Organized the Association by electing Elder C. D. Hall, Moderator and Allen Whittington, Clerk.

6. Called for petitionary letters. None came forward.

7. On motion, we read the Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith.

8. Called for correspondents who were to go to sister associations to report; they reported and those that failed to go were excused.

9. On motion, the Moderator make all temporary appointments for this Association.

10. Called for correspondents; the following came forward and were received.

Abbott's Creek—None.

Fisher's River—None.

Mountain: M. A. Jenkins, Elder Walter Evans, J. H. Stamper.

St. Clair's Bottom: Elder C. N. Tilson, J. W. Sanders.

Senter: Bob Speaks.

Washington: Hall Hankins, Elder Martin Edwards.

11. Called for visiting brethren and sisters; the following came forward and were received:

St. Clair's Bottom: Hugh Blevins, Hugh Blevins, Jr., Paul Sanders and Mrs. John Sanders.

Fisher's River: O. W. Sisk, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Nelson.

Abbott's Creek:

Senter: Elder G. D. Roten, George Severt, Mrs. Callie Severt, P. A. Miller, Tom Severt and F. G. Weaver and wife.

Mountain: J. C. Sparks, Robert Cleary, C. G. Fender, Rose Livesley, Joseph Absher, Wiley Joines, C. M. Reaves, Reva Stamper, Dela Joines, John Watson and wife, Charlie Kilby, and Mrs. Raleigh Joines.

Washington: Elder A. R. Singleton.

12. On motion we extend the right hand of fellowship to correspondents, and visitors and seat them.

13. Called for volunteers to go to sister associations. The following responded:

Fisher's River: Brother Elmer Sparks and Eld. Wert Walker

Abbott's Creek: Deacons W. C. Hall and Carl Francis.

Mountain: John Choate and Troy Miller.

Senter: Deacon Fosco Pruitt and Troy Miller.

St. Clair's Bottom: W. C. Hall and Carl Francis.

Washington: W. C. Hall and J. F. Coffey.

14. Appointed a committee on Preaching composed of one member from each church: Elmer Sparks, D. F. Whittington, Margie Truitt, Carl Francis, W. C. Hall and Fosco Pruitt.

15. Finance Committee: John Choate, D. L. Church and Bertha Billings.

16. Appointed Committee on Arrangements: Troy Miller, Wert Walker, J. F. Coffey and Nettie Brown.

17. Called on Committee on Preaching who reported for Saturday morning.

18. On motion we read the Minutes.

19. On motion we adjourn until 9:30 tomorrow. Prayer by Elder A. T. Whittington.

Saturday Morning, September 22, 1956.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday. Called to order by praise and prayer by Elder S. P. Sparks.

1. On motion, called on Committee on Arrangements to report. Report received and Committee discharged.

2. Called the roll and marked those absent.

3. Called on Finance Committee to report. They reported as follows:

Received from the churches	$117.00
Left over from last year	12.00

Total	$129.00
Allowed the Moderator	$10.00
Allowed the Clerk	10.00
Allowed the visiting elders	59.00
Left in hands of treasurer	50.00
Total	$129.00

4. Called for correspondents who were not here yesterday. The following came forward and were received.

Abbott's Creek: Gurney Nance.

Fisher's River: Elder J. G. Fulk.

Mountain: C. O. Murray, Reece Douglass.

Senter: Ed Barker.

St. Clair's Bottom: R. C. Crouse, Elder H. T. Heath, and Delma Heath.

Washington: Elder Raleigh Compton.

5. Called for visiting brethren and sisters who were not here yesterday:

Abbott's Creek: Lon Hall and Mrs. J. A. Nance.

Fisher's River: Sister J. G. Fulk, W. E. Thomas and others.

Mountain: Ed Douglas, Jack Reeves ahd wife, Elder Coy Walker, and Brother Lon M. Reeves and wife.

Senter: Elder Ed Davis, Sister Crockham, H. M. Bare, and Sister Ed Barker.

Washington: Elder Lester Barker and wife, and Howard Ray.

St. Clair's Bottom: Sister C. R. Dancy, Sister R. C. Price, and Sister H. T. Heath.

6. On motion, we extend the right hand of fellowship to correspondents and visitors and seat them.

7. On motion, we receive the reports of the preaching and finance Committees and dismiss them.

8. On motion we have the obituary of Sister Media Edwards Brooks printed in these Minutes.

9. On motion we stand by the ancient landmarks set up by Christ and the apostles and the old Articles of Faith of the Roaring River Association, as carried in our Minutes.

10. On motion we appoint A. T. Whittington as treasurer, and to supervise the printing of these Minutes, having 500 copies printed as distributed as usual.

11. On motion we have the Constitution and Rules of Decorum printed in these Minutes.

12. On motion, the next Association to be held with the church Cross Roads.

13. On motion the Clerk reported and read the Minutes.

14. Resolved that we return thanks first to God for His mercies and thank our brethren and sisters and friends for so lovingly and tenderly caring for us in this session.

14. On motion, we adjourn with prayer by Elder C. D. Hall.

ELDER C. D. HALL, Moderator
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ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday:

Elder C. B. Kilby, Col. 3:3.
Elder C. N. Tilson, 2 Tim. 3.

Friday Night at Mulberry Church:

Elder Martin Edwards, Rom. 5:1.

Saturday Morning:

Elder Joines, failed to get text.
Elder G. D. Roten, Matt. 16:13.
Elder Ed Douglas, failed to get text.

Saturday Evening:

Elder Raleigh Compton, no special text.
Elder H. M. Blevins, Isa. 40:1.
Elder G. E. Nance, Eph. 5:1.

Saturday Night at Cross Roads Church:

Elder Lester Barker, "What Shall I Cry?"

Saturday Night at Fosco Pruitt's Home:

Elder S. T. Heath, failed to get text.

Sunday:

Elder Ed Davis, Titus, 2:11.
Elder Lester Barker, no special text.
Elder Walter Evans, Ezek. 47:6.
Elder A. R. Singleton, no special text.

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Elder C. D. Hall, McGrady, N. C.
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DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

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Union—Elder J. M. Holbrook, Shelby Gap, Ky. 10
Mates Creek—Stearl Hatfield, McCarr, Ky. 20

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF CHURCH CLERKS

Cross Roads: Nettie Brown, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Reddies River: Mrs. W. E. Hester, Reddies River, N. C.
Mulberry: Nora Hall, Halls Mills, N. C.
Meadow Fork: Fosco Pruitt, Laurel Springs, N. C.
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OBITUARY

Mrs. Media Ann Edwards Brooks was born December 8, 1863, and departed this life December 12, 1955, making her stay on earth 92 years and 4 days. She was united in marriage to John Brooks, October 11, 1885. To this union six children were born. One son and her husband are deceased. Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. S. M. Cheek, Mrs. W. A. Bennett, Mrs. J. W. Gentry, and two sons, Troy Brooks and Andy Brooks, and 22 grandchildren. One sister Mrs. Rena Brooks. A host of relatives and friends mourn the passing of this dear mother and sister.

On the second Saturday in August in 1890, she joined the Primitive Baptist Church at Woodruff. For sixty-five years she was a faithful member and attended church as long as she was able. Her seat in the church cannot be filled. She will be greatly missed in her home and community.

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7. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ, and that true believers are the subjects of these ordinances; and we believe the only true mode of baptism is immersion.

8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment; and that the joys of the righeous and the torment of the wicked will be eternal.

9. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances except as is regularly called and comes under the imposition of hands by the presbytery.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	NAMES OF CHURCH MESSENGERS	Communion Mo.	Sat. of Meeting	Rec'd. by Baptism	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Dis'd. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	No. in Fellowship	Contribution
Meadow Fork	Deacon Fosco Pruitt and Troy Miller	Aug.	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	23	$11.50
Cross Roads	Deacon Carl Francis, Bro. D. L. Church, Sister Nettie Brown	July	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	24.00
Mulberry	Deacons W. C. Hall, J. F. Coffey, Sister Bertha Billings	Aug.	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	16	30.00
Double Creek	Margie Truitt	July	3	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	6.00
Reddies River	Brother Gaither Vannoy, and D. F. Whittington	June	4	1	..	..	..	..	..	19	30.50
Woodruff	Elder Wirt Walker, John Choate, Elmer Sparks	July	2	1	1	..	..	..	2	18	15.00
	Totals		..	4	1	..	..	..	4	85	11700.

Minutes

OF THE

One Hundred Eleventh
Annual Session
OF THE

Roaring River
Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Crossroads Church

FRIDAY, SATURDAY, AND SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 20, 21, 22,

1957

Next session appointed to be held with the Church at Reddies River on old N. C. No. 16, ten miles northwest of North Wilkesboro, N. C., beginning at 10 a. m. Friday morning, before the fourth Sunday in September, 26, 27, 28, 1958.

OFFICERS

ELDER C. D. HALL - Moderator ..... McGrady, N. C.

JOHN D. HALL - Clerk .... 278 South St., Elkin, N. C.

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Proceedings

OF THE ROARING RIVER ASSOCIATION

FRIDAY, September 20, 1957.

1. The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Song and prayer by Elder H. B. Thomas. The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder C. D. Hall, text, Proverbs 22:28.

2. The Association was called to order by praise by Elder Walter Evans, Correspondent from Mountain Association.

3. On motion we appoint John D. Hall clerk pro tem.

4. Read and received letters from Reddies River, Woodruff, Mulberry, Cross Roads and Meadow Fork.

5. On motion, we elect a Moderator and Clerk by private ballot.

6. Organized the Association by electing Elder C. D. Hall, Moderator and John D. Hall Clerk.

7. Called for petitionary letters. None came forward.

8. On motion, we omit reading the Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith.

9. Called for correspondents who were to go to sister associations to report. They reported and those who failed to go were excused.

10. On motion, the Moderator make all temporary appointments for this Association.

11. On motion, we call for correspondents and visitors from our regular correspondents and seat them.

Abbott's Creek: Withheld their seat and our correspondents until their Association is set in order.

Fisher's River: Correspondents, Elder Matt Edwards. Visitors, Deacon J. D. White, Elder H. B. Thomas and Brother W. E. Thomas.

Mountain: Correspondents, Elder Walter Evans, Elder R. N. Joines, and Brother J. H. Stamper. Visitors, Brother G. R. Douglas, and wife, Brother Lon M. Reeves, and wife, Brother Robert Cleary, Brother Robert Crouse, Sister Rosy Livesay, Sister Lula Crouse, Brother A. J. Reeves, and Sister Edna Joines.

St. Clair's Bottom: Correspondents, Elder H. M. Blevins, and Deacon Hughie Blevins. No visitor.

Senter: Correspondents, Brother Tom Severt and Brother R. L. Speaks. No visitors.

Washington: Correspondents, Elder S. S. Walker, and Lic-

entiate Hall Hankins. Visitors, Elder J. T. Mabe, and Sister S. S. Walker.

Indian Creek: Visitors, Brother W. A. Davison and wife, Brother Herman Mann, Sister Rosa Mann, Bessie Mann, Viola Canterberry and Lola Morgan.

12. Called for volunteers to go to sister associations. The following responded:

Fisher's River: To be held with the Church at Little Vine, two miles west of Dobson, North Carolina, on the Zephyr Road; Brothers John Choate, Hort Brooks, and Elder Wert Walker. Association beginning on Friday before the second Sunday in July, 1958.

Mountain: To be held with the Church at Little River in Sparta, North Carolina, beginning on Friday before the first Sunday in September, 1958: Brothers Troy Miller, Hort Brooks, and D. L. Church.

St. Clair's Bottom: To be held with the Church at Hopkins View located about eight miles southwest of Marion, Virginia, beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in September, 1958: Brothers W. C. Hall, Carl Francis, Calvin Whittington, and J. F. Coffey.

Senter: To be held with the Church at Senter, located about eight miles north of Jefferson on Highway 221 at Nathan's Creek, North Carolina, beginning on Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1958: Brothers Calvin Whittington, Fosco Pruitt, and D. L. Church.

Washington: To be held with the Church at New Garden near Honaker, Virginia, beginning on Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1958: Brothers W. C. Hall, Carl Francis, J. F. Coffey and Elder C. D. Hall.

13. Appointed a Committee on Preaching composed of one member from each church: Brothers Calvin Whittington, John Choate, D. F. Whittington, W. C. Hall and Carl Francis.

14. Finance Committee: Brothers D. L. Church, Gaither Vannoy, and Hort Brooks.

15. Appointed Committee on Arrangements: Elder Wert Walker, Brothers Fosco Pruitt, J. F. Coffey, Sisters Dollie Hester, Nettie Brown, together with Moderator and Clerk.

16. Called on Committee on Preaching who reported for Friday Evening, Friday Night and Saturday Morning.

17. On motion we omit reading the Minutes until Saturday morning.

18. On motion we adjourn until 9:30 a. m. tomorrow. Prayer by Elder J. T. Mabe.

SATURDAY MORNING, September 21, 1957.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday. Called to order by praise and prayer by Elder Lester Barker from Washington Association.

1. On motion called on Committee on Arrangements to report. Report received and committee discharged.

2. Called the roll and marked those absent.

3. Called on Finance Committee to report. They reported as follows:

Received from the churches	$102.50	
Left over from last year	12.50	
Total	$115.00	
Allowed the Moderator		$ 10.00
Allowed the Clerk		10.00
Allowed the visiting elders		45.00
Left in hands of treasurer		50.00
Total		$115.00

4. Called for correspondents and visitors who were not here yesterday:

Fisher's River: Correspondents, Elder W. C. Hawks. Visitors, Elder J. F. Hill, Elder J. L. Williams, Brother M. W. Pruitt, Sisters Verna Johnson, Flora Long, Carrie Poindexter, Wert Walker, J. L. Williams and Eddie Dameron.

Mountain: Correspondents, Brother C. D. Murray, Brother C. C. Reeves. Visitors, Sister C. D. Murray, Brothers Joseph Absher and John Watson.

St. Clair's Bottom: Brother Paul Sanders. Visitors, Annie Compton.

Senter: Correspondents, none. Visitors, Brother H. M. Bare, Sisters Annie Reeves, R. C. Parson, Edd Barker.

Washington: Correspondents, Elders Lester Barker, Raleigh Compton. Visitors, Sister J. M. Anderson, Brother Roy Newberry.

Indian Creek: Elder H. W. Morgan, Brothers Webster Morgan and wife, Elbert Morgan, Luther Easter and wife, Sister Mamie Barker.

5. On motion we receive the reports of the preaching and finance committees and dismiss them.

6. On motion we have the obituaries of Sisters Nora Hall and Myrtle Brown Absher printed in these minutes.

7. On motion we stand by the ancient landmarks set up by Christ and the apostles and the old Articles of Faith of the Roaring River Association, as carried in our Minutes.

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Elder J. M. Edwards, text, John 14:17
Elder H. B. Thomas, no special text.

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Elder J. T. Mabe, text, John 17
Elder H. M. Blevins, no special text

Saturday Morning:
Elder S. S. Walker, text, Ezekiel 43:10
Elder Raleigh Joines, text, Matt. 1:21
Elder W. C. Hawks, text, Matt. 3:1

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Elder J. L. Williams, text, Matt. 11:25
Elder H. W. Morgan, text, John 4:10
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Elder H. W. Morgan, no special text
Elder Lester Barker, Rom. 8:1

Sunday:
Elder H. M. Blevins, text, Luke 4:10
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Elder A. T. Whittington, R.F.D. 4, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.
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CHURCHES AND PASTORS

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	No. of Minutes
Cross Roads—Nettie Brown, Rt. 1, Box 186, N. Wilkesboro, N. C...	40
Reddies River—Mrs. W. E. Hester, Wilbar, N. C.	30
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— OBITUARIES —

MRS. NORA HALL

Mrs. Nora Hall was born March 31, 1883, departed this life May 25, 1957. She was the daughter of W. L. and Nanie Owens. She was married to the late J. D. Hall January 7, 1899. To this union were born eight children, six boys and two girls. One boy died in infancy.

Children surviving are: Elder C. D. Hall of Elkhorne, West Virginia, Clarence and Ralph Hall of McGrady, Claude of North Wilkesboro, North Carolina, John D. of Elkin, North Carolina; two daughters, Mrs. Clay Bauguess of McGrady, Mrs. H. B. Hall of Winston Salem, North Carolina.

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She was Post Mistress of Halls Mills Post Office for forty-five years, retiring in 1949.

She leaves seven children, fourteen grandchildren, twelve great grandchildren, one brother, G. C. Owens, and many friends and relatives.

It is our loss and her gain.

MRS. MYRTLE BROWN ABSHER

Myrtle Brown Absher was born October 12, 1884, died May 12, 1957, age 72 years, 7 months. She was united in marriage to Alfred S. Absher on October 10, 1899. To this union were born five children, Mrs. Lillie Brown, North Wilkesboro, Rt. 1, Mrs. Mozelle Barbee. Charlotte, Mrs. Violet Bumgarner, Rt. 1, North Wilkesboro. Two sons, Frank Absher, North Wilkesboro, Rt. 1, one deceased in infancy.

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9. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances except as is regularly called and comes under the imposition of hands by the presbytery.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	NAMES OF CHURCH MESSENGERS	Communion Mo.	Sat. of Meeting	Rec'd. by Baptism	Rec'd. by Letter	Restored	Dism'd. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Membership	Contribution
Meadow Fork ...	Deacon Fosco Pruitt, Bro. Calvin Whittington, Bro. Troy Miller	Aug.	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	23	$ 10.50
Cross Roads	Deacon Carl Francis, Bro. D. L. Church, Sister Nettie Brown ..	July	4	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	25.00
Mulberry	Deacon W. C. Hall, Deacon J. F. Coffey, Elder C. D. Hall	Aug.	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	16	30.00
Double Creek ...	Represented by contribution only			..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2.00
Reddies River ..	Bro. Gaither Vannoy, Bro. D. F. Whittington, Sister Dollie Hester	June	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	18	20.00
Woodruff	Elder Wert Walker, Bro. John Choate, Bro. Hort Absher	July	2	1	..	..	7	..	..	12	15.00
	Totals		..	2	..		7	..	2	74	$102.50

Minutes

OF THE

One Hundred Thirteenth Annual Session

OF THE

Roaring River
Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Woodruff Church

GLADE VALLEY, ALLEGHANY COUNTY, N. C.

FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY,

SEPTEMBER 25, 26, 27,

1959

Next session convenes with Mulberry Church, to be held at Cross Roads Meetinghouse, six miles north of North Wilkesboro, N. C., on highway N. C. 18, beginning on Friday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1960.

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Proceedings

OF THE ROARING RIVER ASSOCIATION

FRIDAY, September 25, 1959.

1. The Association met pursuant to adjournment of last year. Song and prayer by Elder Raleigh Joines from the Mountain Association. The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder C. D. Hall, text 1 John 1:1-3.

2. The Association was called to order by song and prayer by Elder Dewey Roten from the Senter Association.

3. Read and received letter from Woodruff, Cross Roads, Mulberry, and Meadow Fork Churches.

4. On motion we elect a Moderator and Clerk by private ballot.

5. Organized the Association by electing Elder C. D. Hall, Moderator and John D. Hall, Clerk.

6. Called for petitionary letters, none came forward.

7. On motion we omit reading the Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of faith at this session.

8. Called for correspondencts who were to ge to sister Associations to report. They reported and those who failed to go were excused.

9. On motion the Moderator make all temporary appointments for this Association.

10. On motion we call for correspondents and visitors from our regular corresponlence, and seat them.

A. Fisher's River: Correspondents, Elder H. B. Thomas, and Brother J. A. Marion. Visitors: none.

B. Mountain: Correspondents: Brother J. H. Stamper, and Brother W. H. Collins. Visitors: Elder Walter Evans, Brothers Osco Wyatt, Robert Cleary, Troy Cleary, Wayne Reeves and wife, Robert Crouse, M. C. Jenkins and wife, Willie Joines, A. J. Reeves, A. C. Holloway, Raymond Nichols and wife, Joseph Absher, M. D. Rector and wife. Elders, Raleigh Joines and wife, Elder Edd Douglas, Sisters Rose Levisay, Lily Crouse, J. H. Stamper.

C. St. Clair's Bottom: Brother R. C. Price. Visitors: Sisters R C. Price, Raymond Dancy, Ada Walton.

D. Washington: Correspondents, Licentiate Hall Hankins, Visitors, Brother Grady Sykes.

E. Senter: Correspondents, Elder Dewey Roten.. Visitors,

Brother F. G. Weaver and wife.

F. Indian Creek: Visitors, none.

G. Piney Grove: Correspondent, Elder M. H. Vaden. Visitors, Brother H. L. Shelor, Sister M. H. Vaden and Brother A. J. Bennett and wife

11. Called for volunteers to go to sister Associations, and the following responded:

A. Fisher's River: Deacon W. C. Hall, Elder C. D. Hall and Brother John Choate. To be held with the church at Deep Creek near Smithtown in Yalkin County. Beginning on Friday before the second Sunday in July, 1960.

B. Mountain: Deacons W. C. Hall, J. F. Coffey, and Carl Francis, Brother John Choate. To be held with the church at Crab Creek about ten miles east of Sparta on highway N. C. 18, beginning on Friday before the first Sunday in Sept. 1960.

C. St. Clair's Bottom: Deacons W. C. Hall and Carl Francis, and Brother John Choate. To be held with the church at Tumbling Creek, beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in September, 1960.

D. Senter: Deacons W. C. Hall, Fosco Pruitt, and J. F. Coffey. To be held with the church at Horse Creek, beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in August, 1960.

E. Washington: Deacons J. F. Coffey and W. C. Hall, Elder C. D Hall and Brother John D. Hall. To be held with the church at Slate Creek, beginning on Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1960.

F. Piney Grove: Elder C. D. Hall Deacons Carl Francis and W. C. Hall, to be held with the church at Pleasant View. Beginning on Friday before the second Sunday in May, 1960.

12. Appointed a Committee on Preaching composed of one member from each church; Deacons John Choate, W. C. Hall, Carl Francis and Fosco Pruitt.

13. Appointed Committee on Arrangments, Bros. Hort Brooks, Calvin Whittington, Deacon J. F. Coffey and Sister Nettie Brown together with Moderator and Clerk.

15. Called on Committee on Preaching who reported for Friday evening.

16. On motion we read the Minutes.

17. On motion we adjourn until 9:30 a. m. Saturday. Prayer by Elder M. H. Vaden.

SATURDAY MORNING, September 26, 1959.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday called to order by praise and prayer by Elder Lester Barker correspondent from the Washington Association.

1. Called the roll and marked those absent.

2. On motion called on Committee on Arrangements to report and they recommend the following: Report received anl Committee discharged.

A. The next Association to be held with Mulberry Church, at Cross Roads meetinghouse. To begin on Friday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1960.

B. We the Roaring River Association are deeply grieved with some of the churches of the Mountain Association for affiliating with a radio preacher, and that he also affiliates with other churches that we consider in disorder.

C. On motion that we have the Constitution and Rules of Decorum printed in these Minutes.

3. Called on Finance Committee to report. They reported as follows:

Received from the churches	$ 96 00	
Left over from last year	5.00	$101.00
Allowed the Moderator	$ 10.00	
Allowed the Clerk	10 00	
Allowed visiting Elders	31.00	
Left in hands of the Treasurer	50.00	$101.00

4. Called for correspondents who were not here yesterday:

A. Fisher's River: correspondents, Brother Curtis Harbour. Visitors, Elder Matt Edwards, Brother Dillard White, Sister Etta Dameron and Sister Ula Bringer.

B. Mountain: Correspondents, none; visitors, Brother L. M. Reeves, and wife, Brother G. R. Douglass and wife, Sisters Oreo Wyatt, Willie Joines, and Larry Brown.

C. St. Clair's Bottom: Correspondents, none; visitors, Sister Anna Compton.

D. Senter: None; visitors, Sister Ed Barker and Brother Floyd Miller.

E. Washington: Correspondents, Elder Lester Barker and Elder Raleigh Compton; visitors, Brother T. C. Compton and Brother C. B. Smith and wife.

F. Piney Grove: visitors, Brother Roy Hall and wife, and Odell Simmon and wife.

G. Indian Creek: visitors, Brother Luther Easter, Brother W. A. Davidson and wife, Brother Harris Sturgill, Brother E.J. Sturgill and wife.

H. Mates Creek: visitors, Elder Fonso Justice, Elder Monroe Justice and Elder Joe Thacker.

I. United Primitive Baptist Association of Virginia: visitors, Elder R. L. Bonds and wife.

5. On motion we receive the reports of the preaching and Finance Committee and dismiss them.

6. On motion we have the obituary of Brother D. F. Whittington printed in these Minutes.

7. On motion we stand by the ancient lanlmarks set up by Christ and the apostles and the old Articles of faith of the Roaring River Association as carried in our Minutes continuously.

8. On motion we appoint John D. Hall as Treasurer and to supervise the printing of these Minutes, having 500 copies printed and distributed as usual.

9. On motion we have the Constitution and Rules of Decorum printed in these Minutes.

On motion the Clerk report and read the Minutets.

11. Resolved that we return thanks first to God for His mercies and thanks to our brethren and sisters and friends for so lovingly and tenderly caring for us in this session.

12. On motion we adjourn with prayer by Elder C. D. Hall.

ELDER C. D. HALL, Moderator
JOHN D. HALL, Clerk

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday:

Elder Coy Roberts, Gen. 5.
Elder Walter Evans, Isa. 62:4, 18, 19.
Elder H. B. Thomas, no special text.

Saturday Morning:

Elder M. H. Vaden, Isa. 40:1-3.
Elder Ed Douglas, no special text.
Elder Fonso Justice, Heb. 9:23.

Saturday Afternoon:

Elder Dewey Roten, Matthew 18:10.
Elder Matt Edwards, no special text.
Elder Joe Thacker, no special text.

Sunday:

Elder C. N. Tilson, Introduced the service.
Elder R. L. Bonds, Mark 1:3.
Elder Raleigh Compton, 1 Cor. 1:23.
Elder Ralegh Joines, Titus 2:11.
Elder Lester Barker, Cor. 15:22.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF MINISTERS

Elder C. D. Hall, McGrady, N. C.
Elder A. T. Whittington, R.F.D. 4, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.
Elder Wert Walker, Rt. 2, Elkin, N. C.

CHURCHES AND PASTORS

Meadow Fork—Elder A. T. Whittington.
Double Creek—
Mulberry—Elders C. D. Hall, A. T. Whittington.
Woodruff—Elder C. D. Hall.
Reddies River—
Cross Roads—Elders C. D. Hall A. T. Whittington.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF CHURCH CLERKS

	No. of Minutes
Meadow Fork—Fosco Pruitt, Laurel Springs, N. C.	50
Double Creek—Margie Truitt, Sparta, N. C.	6
Mulberry—W. C. Hall, Box 51, McGrady, N. C.	50
Woodruff—J. T. Choat, Glade Valley, N. C.	20
Redies River—Mrs. W. E. Hester, Wilbar, N. C.	20
Cross Roads—Nettie Brown, Rt. 1, Box 186, Wilkesboro, N. C.	25

DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Abbott's Creek—Reid Blevins, Rt. 7, Box 547, Salisbury, N. C.	15
Fisher's River—Curtis Harbour, Rt. 2, Dobson, N. C.	40
Senter—Earl Sevcrt, West Jefferson, N. C.	20
Mountain—Lon M. Reeves, Sparta, N. C.	40
St. Clair's Bottom—Hughie Blevins, Rt. 2, Chilhowie, Va.	20
Washington—Elder L. S. Street, Grundy, Va.	40
Indian Creek—J. R. Lilly, Box 136, Hinton, W. Va.	30
Union—Elder J. M. Holbrook, Shelby Gap, Ky.	10
Mates Creek—Stearl Hatfield, McCarr, Ky.	20
Piney Grove—S. O. Shelton, Fransisco, N. C.	25

OBITUARY OF D. F. WHITTINGTON

D. F. Whittington was born June 15, 1877, making his stay on earth 81 years, 6 months, and 14 days. Funeral services were conducted at Reddies River Primitive Baptist Church by Elders D. P. Broadway, Dewey Roten, and B. O. Leonard, and was buried in the church cemetery. He was married to Nancy C. Dancy December, 1889. To this union were born 11 children. Two of whom preceded him in death. Surviving, D. C. Whittington, Purlear, N. C., Wade Whittington, North Wilkesboro, N. C., Rt. 4, Tom Whittington, North Wilkesboro, N. C., Allen Whiittington, Rt. 4, North Wilkesboro, N. C. Woodrow Whittington, Wilbar, N. C., Mrs. Glenn Huffman, Wilbar, N. C., Mrs. Fred Staley, North Wilkesboro, N. C. Rt. 4, Mrs. Wiley Hester, Rt. 1, Wilbar, and Mrs. Howard Pierce, N. Wilkesboro N C. Rt. 3, 25 grandchildren, 7 great grandchildren. He professed a sweet hope in Christ and united with Reddies River Primitive Baptist Church in the year of 1908. He was a faithful member until death. He was a firm believer in the rich sovereign grace of the Lord Jesus Christ.

CONSTITUTION OF ROARING RIVER ASSOCIATION

1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union, and duly sent to represent them in the Association, who shall be members they judge best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to a seat.

2. In the letters from the different churches requested to be expressed their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excommunicated, or dead since our last Association.

3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any church in this union.

4. The Association when convened shall be governed and ruled by a regular and proper decorum.

5. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

6. Churches may be admitted into this union who shall petition by letter and delegates, and upon examination, if found orthodox and orderly, shall be received by the Association and manifested by the Moderator giving the delgates the right hand of fellowship.

7. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation.

8. Every query presented by any member in the Association shall be once read, and before debated the Moderator shall put it to vote, and if there be majority for it being debated, it shall be taken into consideration, deliberated upon, if not, it shall be withdrawn.

9. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

10. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with Minutes of the Association; the best method of effecting that purpose shall be at the discretion of future Associations.

11. We think it necessary that we should have an Association Fund, for defraying the expenses of the same, for raising and supporting of which we think it the duty of each church in the union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they may think proper, and send by their delegates to the Association, and the money thus contributed by the churches and received by the Association shall be deposited in the hands of a treasurer by the Association, who shall be accountable to the Association for all monies by him received and paid out according to the direction of the Association.

12. There shall be an Association book kept wherein the proceedings of every Association shall be regularly recorded by a secretary appointed by the Association, who shall receive compensation yearly for his trouble.

13. The Minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if needs be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one only true and living God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2. We believe the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments (as recorded in the authorized King James Version) are the words of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of election by grace.

4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin and man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature by his own free will or ability.

5. We believe sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

6. We believe that sinners are called, converted, regenerated and

sanctified by the Spirit; and that all who are thus sanctified and regenerated by the Holy Spirit, or born again by the Spirit of God, shall never finally fall away.

7. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ, and that true believers are the subjects of these ordinances; and we believe the only true mode of baptism is immersion.

8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment; and that the joys of the righeous and the torment of the wicked will be eternal.

9. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances except as is regularly called and comes under the imposition of hands by the presbytery, and in fellowship with a church of our faith and order.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

3. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make his speech.

4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech by anyone, except the Moderator, until he is done speaking.

5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in no wise reflect on the person who spoke before, so as to make remarks on his slips, failings or imperfections, but shall state the matter as nearly as he can so as to convey his light or ideas.

6. No person shall abruptly break off, or absent himself from the Association without liberty from the Association.

7. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on one subject without permission of the Association.

8. No member of the Association shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of the same, nor whispering in the time of public speech.

9. No member shall address another in any other appellation but "brother" during the sitting of the Association.

10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in, or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the Rules of this Decorum.

11. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

12. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege as another member, provided the chair be filled, and he shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

13. That any member who shall wittingly and willingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the Association as they shall think proper.

14. Amendment to this plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the union when they deem it necessary.

15. The Association shall have power: 1. To provide for the general union of the churches; 2. To endeavor to preserve inviolable a chain of communication amongst the churches; 3. To give the churches necessary advice in matters of difficulty; 4. To inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent in the Association; 5. To appropriate the monies by the churches contributed for an Association Fund, to any purpose they may think proper; 6. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any churches in this union which shall violate the Rules of this Association, or depart from the orthodox principles of religion; 7. To admit any of the distant brethren in the ministry as assistants, who may be present at the time of their sitting, when they shall judge necessary; 8. The Association shall have power to adjourn themselves to any future time and place they think most convenient to the churches in the union.

Received by the Association.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	NAMES OF CHURCH MESSENGERS	Communion Mo.	Sat. of Meeting	Rec'd by Baptism	Rec'd by Letter	Restored to Fel.	Dis'd. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Membership	Contribution
Meadow Fork	Deacon Fosco Pruitt, Bros. Troy Miller, Calvin Whittington ..	Aug.	2	2		..	..	..		25	$16.00
Cross Roads	Deacon Carl Francis, Sisters Nettie Brown and Ruby Francis .	June	4*		2	..	..	1	..	6	25 00
Mulberry	Elder C. D. Hall, Deacons W. C. Hall and J. F. Coffey	Aug.	1*			..	..			16	33.00
Double Creek	Represented by contribution only		..	..	..		..	..	..		2.00
Reddies River	Not represented										
Woodruff	Bros. John T. Choate, Jim Richardson, and Hort Brooks	July	2*			..	..			12	20.00
	Totals ...			2	2	..	..	1	..	59	$96.00

*Church meeting held at night.

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Minutes

OF THE

One Hundred Fifteenth

Annual Session

OF THE

Roaring River

Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Meadow Fork Church

ALLEGHANY COUNTY, LAUREL SPRINGS, N. C.
SEPTEMBER 22, 23, 24,

1961

Next session convenes with Cross Roads Church, located six miles north of North Wilkesboro, N. C., Friday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1961 at 10:00 A. M.

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Proceedings

OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE ROARING RIVER PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1. The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Song and prayer by Elder Joel Simmons, correspondent from the Piney Grove Association. The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder Raleigh Joines, text Luke 1:1.

2. The Association was called to order by song and prayer by Elder C. D. Hall.

3. Read and received letters from Mulberry, Cross Roads, Meadow Fork and Woodruff Churches.

4. On motion we elect a Moderator and Clerk by private ballot.

5. Organized the Association by electing Elder C. D. Hall Moderator and John D. Hall Clerk.

6. Called for petitionary letters. None came forward.

7. On motion we omit reading the Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith at this session.

8. On motion we called for correspondents who were to go to sister Associations to report. They reported and those who failed to go were excused.

9. On motion the Moderator make all temporary appointments for this session.

10. On motion we drop all fellowship with the Mountain District Association for affiliating with the Wilson faction and departing from the practice of the Primitive Baptist.

11. On motion we recognize any Church that pulls out of the Mountain District Association and separate themselves from the practice of the Mountain District Association.

12. On motion we give the Senter Association some time to stop affiliating with the Wilson faction.

13. On motion we drop fellowship with the Mates Creek Association for preaching unsound doctrine and practice.

14. On motion we call for correspondents and visitors from our regular correspondents; and seat them.

A. Fisher's River: Correspondent, Brother O. W. Sisk, and Brother J. A. Marion. Visitors, Brother H. J. Hill, Sisters Ula Brenger and Etta Dameron.

B. St. Clair's Bottom: Correspondent, Brother W. B. Johnson. Visitors, Brother W. M. Puckett and wife, Sister Ellen Osborne, Sister C. R. Dancy, Sister W. B. Johnson.

C. Washington: Correspondents, Elders M. C. Miller and Hall Hankins. Visitors, Elder M. K. Cook and Brother Grady Sykes.

D. Senter: Correspondents, Brothers Tom Severt and F. G. Weaver and F. O. Thompson. Visitors, Brother Gather Kilby and wife, and Sister F. G. Weaver.

E. Piney Grove: Correspondents, Elder Joel Simmons and Brother S. O. Shelton. Visitors, Brother Roy Hall.

15. Called for volunteers to go to sister Associations. The following responded and were appointed to go.

A. Fisher's River: Brother John Choate and Deacons W. C. Hall and Carl Francis. To be held with the Church at Tom Creek near the town Westfield, starting on Friday before second Sunday in July, 1962.

B. St. Clair's Bottom: Deacon W. C. Hall and Elder C. D. Hall, starting on Friday before the third Sunday in September, 1962, to be held with the Church at Hopkins View.

C. Senter: Deacon Carl Francis, Elder C. D. Hall and Brother Troy Miller. Starting on Friday before the third Sunday in August, to be held with the Church at Roan Creek.

D. Washington: Deacon W. C. Hall, Deacon Carl Francis and Elder Raleigh Joines. Starting on Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1962, to be held with the Church at Sand Lick, near Haysi on Highway 80.

E. Piney Grove: Deacon W. C. Hall and Elder C. D. Hall. Starting on Friday before the second Sunday in May, 1962, to be held with the Church at Cider Grove.

16. Appointed a Committe on Preaching composed of one member from each Church: Brother John Choate, Deacons Carl Francis, Fosco Pruitt and W. C. Hall.

17. Appointed a Committee on Arrangements: Elder Raleigh Joines, Brother Troy Miller, Sisters Nettie Brown and Bertha Billings, together with Moderator and Clerk.

18. Appointed a Committee on Finance: Brother Jim Richardson, Brother Troy Miller and Brother Hort Brooks.

19. Called on Committee on Preaching who reported for Friday Evening.

20. On Motion we adjourn until 9:30 a. m. Saturday Morning. Prayer by Elder M. C. Miller.

SATURDAY MORNING—September 23, 1961

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday. Called to order by song and prayer by Elder E. R. Lawson from the Fisher's River Association.

1. Called the roll and marked those absent.

2. On motion called on Committee on Arrangements to report and they recommend the following. The report received and committee discharged.

A. The Association allow the Clerk to have the old Association book repaired and pay for it out of the treasury.

B. The Association send a committee to visit the members of Reddies River Church to see what can be done about having services there.

C. That we have obituary of Sister Jane Poe printed in these minutes.

D. That we appoint John D. Hall Treasurer and to supervise the printing of the minutes and have 400 copies printed and distribute them.

E. That we put in the Statistical Table "received by relation" from churches that are cut off in disorder that were one time in fellowship with us.

F. That the next Association be held with Cross Roads Church on Highway 18 six miles north of North Wilesboro, N. C.

G. That we stop sending minutes to the Mountain District and Mates Creek Associations.

3. Called on Committee of Finance report. They reported as follows:

Received from the churches		$ 84.00
Allowed the Moderator	$10.00	
Allowed the Clerk	10.00	
Allowed visiting Elders	14.00	
Left in hands of Treasurer	50.00	$ 84.00

4. Called for correspondents and visitors who were not here

yesterday:

A. Fisher's River: Correspondent, Brother Curtis Harbour. Visitors, Elders J. F. Hill, J. M. Edwards, Elbert Hunter, E. R. Lawson, Deacon J. M. Hunter, Sisters Grace Cranfill, and Flora Long.

B. St. Clair's Bottom. None.

C. Senter: Correspondents, Elder Ed. Davis. Visitors, Sisters May Reece and Virgie Bear.

D. Washington: Correspondents, Elders Raleigh Compton, Lester Barker and Robert Bostic. Visitors, Sisters C. B. Smith and Fay Colley.

E. Piney Grove: None.

F. Mount Zion: Visitors, Brother Julian Holliday and wife.

5. On motion we receive the reports of the Preaching and Finance Committees and dismiss them.

6. On motion Deacons W. C. Hall and Carl Francis were appointed to visit the members of Reddies River Church and see what could be done about having services.

7. On motion we stand by the ancient landmarks set up by Christ and the apostles and the old articles of faith for Roaring River Association as carried in our minutes continously.

8. On motion the Clerk report and read the minutes.

9. Resolved that we return thanks first to God for mercies and thanks to our brethren and sisters and friends for so lovingly and tenderly caring for us in this session.

12. On motion we adjourn with prayer by Elder Raleigh Joines.

ELDER C. D. HALL, Moderator
JOHN D. HALL, Clerk

OBITUARY OF SISTER SARAH JANE POE

Sister Sarah Jane Poe, daughter of Matthias Poe and Lucinda Wingler Poe, was born in Wilkes County May 3, 1877. She departed this life August 23, 1961, being 84 years, 3 months and 20 days of age. She joined the Primitive Baptist Church over 50 years ago and was a faithful member as long as her health permitted.

In early life she lived several miles from her Church. She would leave home on Friday to walk to her Church and would not get back home until Monday; and seldom missed a meeting. She lived in hope and was a firm believer in salvation by the grace of God.

Written by her pastor at the request of her Church.

—Elder C. D. Hall

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday:

Elder M. C. Miller, no special text
Elder Hall Hankins, Matt. 7:3
Elder Joel Simmons, Matt. 8:20

Saturday:

Elder Elbert Hunter, no special text
Elder J. M. Edwards, Tit. Ch. 2
Elder Robert Bostic, Zac. Ch. 12
Elder J. F. Hill, No special text
Elder E. R. Lawson, No special text
Elder M. K. Cook, No special text
Elder Ed Davis, No special text

Saturday Night:

Elder Raleigh Compton, No special text
Elder Lester Barker, No special text

Sunday:

Elder Raleigh Compton, No special text
Elder Lester Barker, Jer. 8:20
Elder Ed Davis, "Wisdom hath builded His house."
Elder J. F. Hill, no special text

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF MINISTERS

Elder C. D. Hall, McGrady, N. C.
Elder A. T. Whittington, R.F.D. 4, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Elder Raleigh Joines, R. F. D. 4, Sparta, N. C.

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Double Creek:
Reddies River

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Woodruff—J. T. Choate, Glade Valley, N. C.	30
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St. Clair's Bottom—Quentin. P. Dancy, Star Route, Chilhowie, Va.	20
Washington—Elder L. S. Street, Grundy, Va.	40
Mountain Zion—J. R. Lilly, Box 136, Hinton, W. Va.	20
Union—Elder J. M. Holbrook, Shelby Gap, Ky.	10
Piney Grove—S. O. Shelton, Rt. 2, Westfield, N. C.	25

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5. We believe sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

6. We believe that sinners are called, converted, regenerated and sanctified by the Spirit; and that all who are thus sanctified and regenerated by the Holy Spirit, or born again by the Spirit of God, shall never finally fall away.

7. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ, and that true believers are the subjects of these ordinances; and we believe the only true mode of baptism is immersion.

8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment; and that the joys of the righeous and the torment of the wicked will be eternal.

9. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances except as is regularly called and comes under the imposition of hands by the presbytery, and in fellowship with a church of our faith and order.

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9. No member shall address another in any other appellation but "brother" during the sitting of the Association.

10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in, or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except he break the Rules of this Decorum.

11. The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

12. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege as another member, provided the chair be filled, and he shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

13. That any member who shall wittingly and willingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the Association as they shall think proper.

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Received by the Association.

STATISTICAL TABLE

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Meadow Fork	Deacon Fosco Pruitt, Bros. Calvin Whittington, Troy Miller	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	25	$ 9.00
Cross Roads	Deacon Carl Francis, Sisters Nettie Brown, Ruby Francis	4*	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4	22.00
Mulberry	Elder C. D. Hall, Deacon W. C. Hall, Bro. John D. Hall	1*	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	15	31.00
Double Creek	Represented by contribution only										2.00
Reddies River	Not represented										
Woodruff	Eld. Raleigh Joines, Bro. John Choate, Bro. Jim Richardson	2*	3	3	....	....	....	....	....	18	20.00
	Totals		3	3	....	....	....	....	....	62	$84.00

*Church meeting at night

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Minutes

OF THE

One Hundred Eighteenth

Annual Session

OF THE

Roaring River

Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Pond Mountain Church

ASHE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
MAY 15, 16, AND 17,

1964

Next session convenes with Mulberry Church, to be held at Cross Roads Meeting House, located on Hwy. 18, six miles north of North Wilkesboro, N. C., Friday before the third Sunday in May, 1965 at 10:00 a. m.

OFFICERS

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THE PRIMITIVE BAPTIST PUBLISHING HOUSE
Elon College, North Carolina

Proceedings

OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE ROARING RIVER PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1. The association met pursuant to adjournment. Song and prayer by Elder Eddie Lyle. The introductory sermon was delivered by Elder C. D. Hall.

2. The association was called to order by song and prayer by Elder H. M. Bowman from the Piney Grove Association.

3. Read and received letter from Mulberry, Cross Roads, Woodruff, Double Creek and Pond Mountain Churches.

4. On motion we elect a Moderator and Clerk by move and second.

5. Organized the Association by electing Elder C. D. Hall Moderator and John D. Hall, Clerk.

6. Called for petitionary letter. None came forward.

7. On motion we omit reading the Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith at this session.

8. On motion we call for correspondence who were to go to sister associations to report. The reported and those who failed to go were excused.

9. On motion the Moderator make all temporary appointments for this session.

10. On motion we seat the messengers from the Washington Association if they are not with the Maryland Church and beg the Washington Association to reconcile taking in the church from Maryland.

11. On motion we call for correspondents and visitors from our regular correspondents and seat them.

A. Fishers River: Correspondents, Brother H. J. Hill and Elder Jesse Collins. Visitors: Elder J. A. Marion, Sister H. J. Hill, Elder E. R. Lawson, Elder Willie Branch, Elder F. W. Stockner, Sister Jesse Collins.

B. St. Clair Bottom: Correspondents, Brother Marvin Helton and Brother W. B. Johnson. Visitors: Sister Marvin Helton, Sister W. B. Johnson and Sister W. M. Pucket.

C. Washington: Correspondents, Elder Raleigh Compton and Elder Hall Hankins. Visitors: None.

D. Piney Grove: Correspondents, Elder H. M. Bowman,

Elder Joel Simmons, Elder J. W. Joyce and Brother Roy Hall. Visitors: Sister Joel Simmons, Brother S. O. Shelton and wife, Brother Moir Flippin and Brother Walter Hodge.

12. Called for volunteers to go to sister associations. The following responded and were appointed to go.

A. Fishers River: Elder Eddie Lyle, Elder C. D. Hall, Deacon W. C. Hall, and Brother C. D. Hall, Jr.

B. St. Clair Bottom: Deacon Carl Francis, Brother Johnnie Halloway, and Deacon W. C. Hall.

C. Washington: Deacon W. C. Hall, Elder C. D. Hall, Elder Eddie Lyle and Deacon Carl Francis.

D. Piney Grove: Deacon Carl Francis: Deacon W. C. Hall, and Elder Raleigh Joines.

13. Appointed a committee on preaching composed of one member from each church: Sister Margie Truitt, Deacons W. C. Hall, Carl Francis, Fred Weaver, Jim Richardson.

14. Appointed a committee on arrangement: Elder Eddie Lyle, Elder Raleigh Joines, Sister Nettie Brown, Sister Ira Shumate, and C. D. Hall, Jr., together with Moderator and Clerk.

15. Appointed a committee on finance: Brother John Choate, Brother Ed Barker and the Treasurer.

16. On motion we read the minutes.

17. On motion we adjourn until 9:30 Saturday morning.

SATURDAY MORNING—May 16, 1964

Met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday. Song and prayer by Elder Raleigh Joines.

1. Called the roll and marked those absent.

2.On motion called on committee on arrangements to report and they recommend the following:

A. To print the two obituaries from Pond Mountain Church in this minute.

B. The next association to go to the Mulberry Church, to be held at Cross Road meeting house.

C. To appoint John D. Hall Treasurer and to supervise the printing of the Minutes and have 400 copies printed and distributed.

D. To have the Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith printed in these minutes.

C. To note the correction on Pond Mountain membership last year should have been 30 instead of 63.

D. To carry article No. 10 in this minute at it was in the 1963 minute concerning the Washington Association.

3. On motion we receive the report of the Committee on Arrangements and dismiss them.

4. Called on Committee on Finance to report. They reported as follows:

Recived from churches	$123.00	
Balance due Treasurer from last year	2.50	$120.50
Allowed the Moderator	$ 10.00	
Allowed the Clerk	10.00	
Allowed the visiter Elders	45.50	
Left in hand of Treasurer	55.00	$120.50

5. Called for correspondents and visitors who were not here yesterday:

A. Fisher's River: Correspondents, Elder W. C. Hawks. Visitors: Brothers O. W. Sick, A. N. Fulk, and Sister W. C. Hawks.

B. St. Clair Bottom: Correspondents, Brothers Vernie Heath, Eugene Blevins, Delmar Heath. Visitors: Brother W. M. Pucket, Sister R. N. Martin, Sister Beulah Nunn.

C. Washington: None.

D. Piney Grove: Correspondent, Elder M. O. Stevens. Visitors: Brother J. R. Stugell and wife.

6. On motion we receive the report of the Preaching Committee and Finance Committee and dismiss them.

7. On motion we stand by the ancient landmarks set up by Christ and the apostles and the old Articles of Faith for the Roaring River Association as carried in our minutes continuously.

8. On motion the Clerk report and read the minutes.

9. Resolved that we return thanks first to God for His mercies and thanks to our brethren and sisters and friends for so lovingly and tenderly caring for us in this session.

10. On motion we adjourn with prayer by Elder C. D. Hall.

ELDER C. D. HALL, Moderator
JOHN D. HALL, Clerk

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday Afternoon:

Elder Willie Branch, No special text
Elder Joel Simmons, No special text
Elder E. R. Lawson, Isa. 59:1

Saturday:

Elder Raleigh Joines, introduced service
Elder J. W. Joyce
Elder Hall Hankins
Lic. Walter Hodge
Lic. Eugene Blivens
Elder W. C. Hawks
Elder Raleigh Compton, Cor. 15:7
Elder Jessie Collins

Sunday:

Elder F. W. Stockner
Elder M. O. Stevens
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OBITUARIES

LUDEMA DAVIS FARMER

Ludema Davis Farmer, the daughter of Elder C. C. and Matilda Davis was born April 23, 1885; departed this life January 24, 1964. She was married to J. H. Farmer January 18, 1896, who preceded her in death. To this union the following children were born: Barnabus Farmer, deceased, Bava Ackers, Bluefield, W. Va., Bonnie Couldiron, Whitetop, Va., Myrtle Weaver, Lansing, N. C., Butha Foley, Toledo, Ohio, Lilliam Pachey, Toledo, Ohio, Levon Yough, Bluefield, W. Va., and John H. Farmer, Whitetop, Va. She also leaves 28 grandchildren, 54 great grandchildren and 11 great great grandchildren.

She professed a hope in Christ and joined Pond Mountain Primitive Baptist Church in 1900, living a faithful and devoted member till death. She was a firm believer in the doctrine of salvation by the grace of God.

She was a devoted mother to the children and an inspiration and guide to her grandchildren and a kind friend to all who knew ner.

Sleep on, dear mother, till the Lord of heave awakes you in His likeness ever to be satisfied. "I have fought a good fight; I have kept the faith; I have finished my course and henceforth a crown of righteousness is laid up for me in heaven."

WILLIAM ARTHUR ELDRETH

Wm. Arthur Eldreth, son of J. H. and Amanda Eldreth, was born 1887 and died March 19, 1964. He was married to Victoria Eldreth in 1906. To this union 9 children were born.

He leaves to mourn two sons, Edgar E. and Denver Eldreth of Lansing; three daughters, Bertha Baldwin and Adell Carter, Lansing and Madeline Asperi of West Chester, Pa; 18 grandchildren and 8 grandchildren.

He received a hope in Christ early in life and joined the Church at Pond Mountain about 1957. He was an able member, never sacrificing the grand principles of the Church. Here he will be missed by all who love the cause of truth and the doctrine of salvation by the grace of God.

He also served the community and public well; he was deputy sheriff of Ashe County for a number of years.

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Woodruff	Eld. Raleigh Joines, Bro. John Choate, Dea. Jim Richardson	Aug.	2	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	18	30.00
Double Creek	Sisters Margie Truitt, Ara Shumate, Jennie Johnson		4	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	3	8.00
Pond Mountain	Eld. Eddie Lyle, Dea. Fred Weaver, Dea. Ed Barker	Aug.	1	1	....	3	....	....	....	2	27	35.00
	Totals			1	....	4	....	....	....	2	66	123.00

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Minutes

OF THE

One Hundred Twentieth

Annual Session

OF THE

Roaring River

Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Cross Roads Church

WILES COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

MAY 13, 14, 15,

1966

Next session convenes with Woodruff Church, located on Hwy. U. S. 21, six miles south of Sparta, N. C., Friday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1967 at 10:00 a. m.

OFFICERS

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Proceedings

OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWENTIETH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE ROARING RIVER PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1. The association met pursuant to adjournment. Song and prayer by Elder Raleigh Joines. The introductory sermon was delivered by Elder E. G. Lyle.

2. The association was called to order by song and prayer by Elder Joel Simmons.

3. Read and received letters from: Mulberry, Cross Roads, Woodruff, and Pond Mountain Churches.

4. On motion we elect a Moderator and Clerk by private ballot.

5. Organized the association by electing Elder E. G. Lyle, Moderator and John D. Hall, Clerk.

6. Called for petitionary letters. Zion Church came forward, and was received.

7. On motion we omit reading Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith at this session.

8. On motion we call for correspondents who were to go to sister associations to report. They reported and those who failed to go were excused.

9. On motion the Moderator make all temporary appointments for this session.

10. On motion we call for correspondents and visitors from our regular correspondents and seat them.

A. Fishers River: Correspondents, Deacon H. J. Hill. Visitors, Sister H. J. Hill, Sister Etta Dameron, Deacon O. W. Sisk, Deacon S. M. Southard, Brother Dillard Gibbons, Brother Paul Freeman, Brother Curtis Harbor and wife.

B. St. Clairs Bottom: Correspondents, Deacon Quentin P. Dancy and Brother Paul Sanders. Visitors, Sister Verna Dancy.

C. Washington: Correspondent, Elder Martin Edwards. Visitors, Elder Raleigh Compton and Brother Grady Sikes.

D. Piney Grove: Correspondents, Elder Joel Simmons and Brother S. O. Shelton.

11. Called for volunteers to go to sister associations. The following responded and were appointed to go.

A. Fisher's River: John D. Hall, Deacon Jim Rickardson,

Deacon W. C. Hall, Deacon Carl Francis, Elder Eddie Lyle, Elder Raleigh Joines and Deacon Wayne Reeves.

B. St. Clairs Bottom: Deacon W. C. Hall, Deacon Wayne Reeves, Deacon Carl Francis, Elder Eddie Lyle and Elder Raleigh Joines.

C. Washington: Elder Raleigh Joines, Elder Eddie Lyle, Deacon Carl Francis, and Deacon W. C. Hall.

D. Piney Grove: Elder Eddie Lyle, Elder Raleigh Joines, Deacon Carl Francis, Deacon W. C. Hall and John D. Hall.

12. Appointed a committee on preaching: Fred Weaver, W. C. Hall, Cary Estep, John Choate and Sister Nettie Brown.

13. Appointed a committee on arrangement: Carl Francis, W. C. Hall, Ed Barker, C. G. Collins, Elder Raleigh Joines. Together with Moderator and Clerk.

14. Appointed a committee on finance: Jacob Hartzog, Grace Hall and Ruby Francis.

15. On motion we read the Minutes.

16. On motion we adjourn until 9:30 a. m. Saturday morning. Prayer by Elder Martin Edwards.

SATURDAY MORNING—May 14, 1966

The association met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday. Song and prayer by Elder Martin Edwards.

1. Called the roll and marked those absent.

2. On motion called on committee on arrangements to report and they recommended the following.

A. To change the association date to Friday before the fourth Sunday in August.

B. That we print the obituaries of Sister Mallie Weaver in this minute.

C. That the association begs the apologies of Mulberry Church for articles E in the work of the committee on arrangements of our 1965 session since portion of it was in violation of article no. 3 of our Constitution.

D. That we beg the churches that compose the St. Clairs Bottom Association to strive for peace among themselves and to get their house united.

E. That the next association to go to the Church at Woodruff in Alleghany County.

F. That we appoint John D. Hall Treasurer and to supervise the printing of the minutes and have 400 copies printed and distributed.

G. That we have the Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith printed in these minutes.

H. That we have article No. 7 from last year's minutes moved to be No. 13 in the Constitution.

3. On motion we receive the report of the committee on arrangements and dismiss them.

4. Called on committee on finance to report. They reported as follows:

Received from Churches		$144.50
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Allowed Visiting Elders	59.50	
Left in hands of Treasurer	65.00	$144.50

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A. Fisher's River: Correspondents, none. Visitors, Elder Willie Branch, Elder J. A. Marion and Brother Grady Tilson.

B. St. Clair Bottom: None.

C. Washington: None.

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6. On motion we receive the report of the Preaching and Finance Committee and dismiss them.

7. On motion the Clerk report and read the minutes.

8. Resolved that we return thanks first to God for His mercies and thanks to our brethren and sisters and friends for so lovingly and tenderly caring for us in this session.

9. On motion we adjourn with prayer by Elder Eddie Lyle.

ELDER E. G. LYLE, Moderator
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SISTER MALLIE WEAVER

Sister Mallie Weaver, daughter of Floyd and Ellen Crouse, was born in Alleghaney County, North Carolina June 25, 1890; departed this life Jan. 31, 1966. She was married to Deacon Fred Weaver. To this union were born three children. All preceded her in death.

She received a hope in Christ and united with the Church at Roans Creek, later moving her membership to Pond Mountain. She was baptized along with Brother Fred and their youngest son by Elder W. W. Davis.

She was a solid believer in the doctrine of salvation by the grace of God, and stood firm and unmoveable in the faith once delivered to the saints. Sister Mallie knew the meaning of sorrow, tragedy and affliction. She bore her sorrow, withstood tragedy and carried on despite the afflictions of this life, and died a soldier of this ancient religion.

She leaves to mourn her passing her husband, Deacon F. G. Weaver, two brothers Floyd Crouse of Sparta, N. C. and Lee Crouse of Ohio, and her many friends and relatives.

Funeral services were conducted at the Reins Sturdivant Funeral Home in Sparta by Elders R. N. Joines and E. G. Lyle; burial was in the Family Cemetery.

Sleep on, dear saint of glory.
Away from toil and fear
From all the sorrows of this life,
None can ever come near.

We miss your sweet voice
That often brought comfort and cheer,
We miss your wonderful presence
And your gentle watchful care.

Sleep on dear saint of Glory,
Till Jesus comes once more,
To gather His lambs together
To go home beyond this shore.

—Written by E. G. Lyle

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Woodruff	Eld. R. Joines, Dea. Jim Rickardson, Bro. John Choate	Aug.	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	16	27.00
Pond Mountain	Dea. Fred Weaver, Dea. Ed Barker, Bro. Jacob Hartzog	Aug.	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	26	33.50
Zion	Dea. C. G. Collins, Dea. Cary Estep, Bro. Mart Caudill	June	2	....	....	2	....	1	....	1	21	24.00
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Minutes

OF THE

One Hundred Twenty-First

Annual Session

OF THE

Roaring River

Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Woodruff Church

ALLEGHANY COUNTY

AUGUST 25, 26, 27,

1967

Next session convenes with Zion Church, located six miles north of Sparta, N. C. on Hwy. N. C. 18, Friday before the 4th Sunday in August, 1968 at 10:00 a. m.

OFFICERS

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Proceedings

OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION OF THE ROARING RIVER PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1. The association met pursuant to adjournment. Song and prayer by Elder Joel Simmons, Moderator of the Piney Grove Association. The introductory sermon was delivered by Elder Raleigh Joines.

2. The Association was called to order by song and prayer by Elder Waldon Stockner from the Fisher's River Association.

3. Read and received letters from Mulberry, Cross Roads, Woodruff, Pond Mountain and Zion churches.

4. On motion we elect a Moderator and Clerk by private ballot.

5. Organized the association by electing Elder E. G. Lyle, Moderator and John D. Hall, Clerk.

6. Called for petitionary letters. None came forward.

7. On motion we omit reading Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith at this session.

8. On motion we call for correspondents who were to go to sister associations to report. They reported and those who failed to go were excused.

9. On motion the Moderator make all temporary appointments for this session.

10. On motion we call for correspondents and visitors for our regular correspondents and seat them.

A. Fishers River: Correspondents, Brother H. J. Hill, Elder J. A. Marion, Elder Waldon Stockner. Visitors: Sister H. J. Hill and Sister Etta Dameron.

B. Washington: None.

C. Piney Grove: Correspondents, Elder Joel Simmons, Brother S. O. Shelton, Elder Harry Bowman. Visitors: Sister Shelton.

11. On motion we seat correspondents from Mates Creek Association. Elder Fonso Justice, Elder Edward L. Meyer and Brother Lloyd Hoskins. Visitors: Deacon Martin Thether, and Sister Meyer.

12. Called for volunteers to go to sister associations. The following responded and were appointed to go.

A. Fisher's River: Deacon W. C. Hall, Elder Raleigh Joines, Elder Eddie Lyle, Brother John D. Hall, Deacon Jim Richardson, Deacon Wayne Reeves, Deacon Carl Francis and Brother Troy Miller.

B. Washington: Deacon W. C. Hall and Carl Francis.

C. Piney Grove: Deacon W. C. Hall, Elder Raleigh Joines, Elder Eddie Lyle and Deacon Carl Francis.

D. Mates Creek: Elder Eddie Lyle.

13. Appointed a Committee on Preaching: W. C. Hall, Sister Ruby Francis, Jim Richardson, Fred Weaver, and Wayne Reeves.

14. Appointed a Committee on arrangement: C. G. Collins, Ed Barker, Carl Francis, Elder Raleigh Joines, Sister Thelma Hall, together with Moderator and Clerk.

15. Appointed a Committee on Finance: Cary Estep and John Choate.

16. On motion we read the minute.

17. On motion we adjourn until 10:00 a. m. Saturday morning. Prayer by H. J. Hill.

SATURDAY MORNING—August 26, 1967

1. Call the roll and marked those absent.

2. On motion called on Committee on Arrangement to report and they recommended the following:

A. To have the obituaries of Sister Mary Jane Vannoy and Sister Stella Crouse printed in this minute.

B. That the next association be held with the church at Zion beginning on Friday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1968.

C. We have the Constitution, Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith printed in this minute.

D. We appoint John D. Hall, Treasurer and to supervise the printing of this Minutes and have 400 copies printed and distributed.

E. We the Roaring River Association of Primitive Baptist in our regular session held with Woodruff Church, wish to express our appreciation to the long and devoted service of Elder C. D. Hall who resigned as our Moderator at our 1965

session. He served faithfully as our Moderator of the Churches and our Association for twenty-five years. May God bless him and continue His love and mercy toward him in his travel here on earth.

3. On motion we receive the report of the Committee on Arrangement and dismiss them.

4. Called on Committee on Finance to report. They reported as follows:

Left from last year	$ 3.35	
Received from churches	133.00	$136.35
Allowed Moderator	$ 10.00	
Allowed Clerk	10.00	
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5. Called for correspondents and visitors who were not here yesterday.

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B. Washington: Vistitor Elder Victor Church.

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OBITUARIES

SISTER MARY JANE VANNOY

Sister Mary Jane Vannoy, daughter of the late Eli and Martha Hutchison Billings, was born in Wilkes County, January 12, 1889 and departed this life February 2, 1967 at the age of 78 years and 21 days.

She was married to James Daniel Vannoy who preceded her in death.

Surviving are 3 sons: Earnest Vannoy of Rt. 4 N. Wilkesboro, Arlie Vannoy of Fairfax, Va. and Ed Vannoy of Rt. 1, Wilbar; 2 daughters: Lora Haynes of Rt. 4, Wilkesboro and Mrs. Fannie Brown of Rt. 1, Wilbar; 31 grandchildren and 1 brother, Treely Billings of Florida.

She professed faith in Christ and joined Mulberry Primitive Baptist Church September 1906 where she remained a member until her passing.

SISTER STELLA CROUSE

If the Lord of Glory will direct my mind I would love to write a few lines in memory of Sister Stella Crouse, wife of Brother John Crouse, who passed away recently.

Sister Stella was a member for many years of Zion Primitive Baptist Church of Christ. She was faithful and devoted to the cause of our Lord, and walked according to His statutes while here in this life. Sister Crouse proved by her walks among her neighbors and friends and the children of God, her love for truth and honesty and goodness to all who knew her.

We realize Brother John has lost a sweet and devoted companion, her children a precious mother and the Church has lost an unmoveable saint.

Death is the gateway to glory, and our loss is her eternal gain. We thank God for a hope of eternal life that we will be resurrected in His glorious likeness ever to be satisfied and go home with Sister Stella never to part no more.

—By Eddie Lyle

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